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Director of Residential Life Baylor School Chattanooga, Tennessee

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Southern Teachers is assisting Baylor School as it seeks a Director of Residential Life who will report to the Upper School Dean of Students and be responsible for the organization, safety, and morale of the boarding community. Baylor is a coeducational day and boarding school enrolling 1053 students in grades six through twelve. An upper school of 721 students includes 192 boarders, drawn mostly from the Southeast but representing twenty-three states and twelve countries. Three boys' dorms and three girls' dorms have a capacity of 206 beds. Dorm parents are drawn from 35 faculty households on campus, and an extensive network of local families open their homes to boarding students on weekends and holidays. The 690-acre campus at the mouth of the Tennessee River Gorge provides an ideal setting for an outstanding boarding school experience. Each of the six dormitories is managed by a dorm head who is supported by a staff of five to six dorm parent/advisors who rotate on evening and weekend duty. A full-time administrative assistant manages the Residential Office. The program also has a comprehensive prefect program as well as other student leadership roles.

The Director supervises dorm heads, plans and implements the residential curriculum, collaborates with the admissions office on boarding recruitment, manages communications with parents of boarders, serves as the main arbiter in disciplinary incidents involving boarders, and collaborates in hiring Dorm Heads and dorm parents. He or she works closely with the Upper School Head, Dean of Students, Director of Student Activities, Director of Counseling, and Director of the Health Center. Current challenges focus on further development of the boarding program, increasing the involvement of day students with boarders, improving retention, and helping the school achieve its enrollment goals.

The combination of an intimate boarding community within a large, college-like campus makes Baylor unique in its range of opportunities and its standards of achievement. Academic offerings include AP courses and advanced electives. Baylor graduates gain admission to competitive universities all over the country, and last year the senior class gleaned over \$16 million in merit-based college scholarships. Baylor is committed to service and experiential education by supporting a comprehensive community service program and an outdoor education program called Walkabout. Recently tabbed as having the #6 overall athletic program in the nation by MaxPrep Sports, Baylor fields over 70 teams in competitive sports, including crew, fencing, and bowling, in addition to the traditional collegiate sports. A tennis pavilion overlooks a short-game golf center, and the school has a state-of-the-art 50-meter by 25-yard natatorium. All of the arts programs are strong and are supported by a three-building studio complex overlooking the river.

Chattanooga is rated one of America's most livable mid-sized cities. Just two hours from Atlanta, Nashville, and Birmingham, it combines the best of breathtaking mountain and river scenery with a vibrant cultural life. The local economy is strong, yet the cost of living is relatively low, and medical services are among the best in the nation. The city has received national and international recognition for the renaissance of its downtown and riverfront, and it has been praised in hundreds of publications for its natural beauty, sense of community, and quality of life.

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