

Dallas Christian School – High School Principal

Primary Purpose:

Direct and manage instructional program and supervise operations and personnel at campus level. Provide leadership to ensure high standards of instructional service. Oversee compliance with Dallas Christian policies, success of instructional programs, and operation of all campus activities. Oversee building data (student data and teacher data), regularly evaluate teacher lesson plans and the teaching and learning in the classroom. Lead students to a closer relationship to Christ.

Qualifications:

Education/Certification:

Master's degree in educational administration (or in process) is preferred but not required
Texas principal or other appropriate Texas certificate or experience as a principal

Special Knowledge/Skills:

Working knowledge of curriculum and instruction
Ability to evaluate instructional program and teaching effectiveness
Ability to manage budget and personnel
Ability to coordinate campus functions
Ability to implement policy and procedures
Ability to interpret data and provide data reports to the President
Strong organizational, communication, public relations, and interpersonal skills

Experience:

Two years experience as a classroom teacher
Two years experience in instructional leadership roles

Major Responsibilities and Duties:

Instructional Management

1. Monitor instructional and managerial processes to ensure that program activities are related to program outcomes and use findings to take corrective actions.
2. Regularly consult the campus-level committee about planning, operation, supervision, and evaluation of campus education program. Include students and community representatives when appropriate.

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3. Provide instructional resources and materials to support teaching staff in accomplishing instructional goals.
4. Foster collegiality and team building among staff members. Encourage their active involvement in decision-making process.

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5. Provide for two-way communication with superintendent, staff, students, parents, and community.
6. Communicate and promote expectations for high-level performance to staff and students. Recognize excellence and achievement.
7. Ensure the effective and quick resolution of conflicts.

School or Organization Improvement

8. Build common vision for school improvement with staff. Direct planning activities and put programs in place with staff to ensure attainment of school's mission.
9. Identify, analyze, and apply research findings (e.g., effective school correlates) to promote school improvement.
10. Develop and set annual campus performance objectives for each of the Academic Excellence Indicators using the campus planning process and site-based decision making committee.
11. Develop, maintain, and use information systems and records necessary to show campus progress on performance objectives addressing each Academic Excellence Indicator.

Personnel Management

12. Interview, select, and orient new staff. Approve all personnel assigned to campus.
13. Define expectations for staff performance with regard to instructional strategies, classroom management, and communication with the public.
14. Observe employee performance, record observations, and conduct evaluation conferences with staff.
15. Assign and promote campus personnel.
16. Make recommendations to the president on termination, suspension, or nonrenewal of employees assigned to campus.
17. Work with campus-level planning and decision-making committees to plan professional development activities.
18. Confer with subordinates regarding their professional growth. Work with them to develop and accomplish improvement goals.

Management of Fiscal, Administrative, and Facilities Functions

19. Comply with school policies, accreditation standards and state and federal laws and regulations affecting the schools.
20. Develop campus budgets based on documented program needs, estimated enrollment, personnel, and other fiscal needs. Keep programs within budget limits. Maintain fiscal control. Accurately report fiscal information.

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21. Compile, maintain, and file all physical and computerized reports, records, and other documents required including accurate and timely reports of maximum attendance to requisition textbooks.
22. Manage use of school facilities. Supervise maintenance of facilities to ensure a clean, orderly, and safe campus.
 - a. *[Secondary Principals: Direct and manage extracurricular and intramural programs including management of multiple activity funds.]*

Student Management

23. Work with faculty and students to develop a student discipline management system that results in positive student behavior and enhances the school climate.
24. Ensure that school rules are uniformly observed and that student discipline is appropriate and equitable in accordance with Student Code of Conduct and student handbook.
25. Conduct conferences about student and school issues with parents, students, and teachers.

Professional Growth and Development

26. Develop professional skills appropriate to job assignment.
27. Demonstrate professional, ethical, and responsible behavior. Serve as a role model for all campus staff.

School or Community Relations

28. Articulate the school's mission to the community and solicit its support in realizing the mission.
29. Demonstrate awareness of school and community needs and initiate activities to meet those needs.
30. Use appropriate and effective techniques to encourage community and parent involvement.

Physical Requirements and Work Environment

31. Occasionally lift up to 30 pounds.
32. Moderate standing, stooping and bending.
33. Works in a highly stressful environment dealing with a wide variety of challenges, deadlines and a
34. varied and diverse array of contacts.
35. May work in a variety of environments including indoors and outdoors.

Spiritual Focus

36. Maintain personal commitment to your individual spiritual walk with God.

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37. Manage students in a way that honors Christ.
38. Create relationships with colleagues, supervisors and parents that honor Christ.
39. Encourage and support the spiritual development of students.