



St. Mark's Cathedral School
Episcopal | Age 2 - 8th Grade | Shreveport, LA

Head of School Search

The School

St. Mark's Cathedral is an Episcopal school serving students two years old through the eighth grade. The school provides a rigorous and stimulating college preparatory education designed to empower students to think critically, act ethically, build community, and find their voices. With a population of approximately 300, St. Mark's Cathedral is intentional about making every student feel known, cared for, and appreciated. Recognized as an academic leader where students benefit from opportunities for innovation, fine arts, and athletics, St. Mark's focuses on helping each student identify their talents and areas of interest and teaches them how to build on those gifts for a lifetime of accomplishment. Underlying all that takes place at St. Mark's between students, faculty, and parents is an abiding sense of faith and trust, which serves as the school's fundamental guideposts and catalyzing force. This is as true in 2022 as it was when the school was founded in 1953.

Location

An excellent place to live with its beautiful green spaces, business-friendly environment, and low housing prices, Shreveport is the third largest city in Louisiana. Founded in 1836 and established at the juncture of the Red River and the historic Texas Trail, Shreveport is the educational, commercial, and cultural center of the Ark-La-Tex region. While Shreveport's gumbo, Jambalaya, and BBQ options are every bit as good as their reputations suggest, the identity of Shreveport, unlike that of New Orleans, is not rooted in Cajun-Creole traditions but a blended Southern culture. It is the home to five major universities and corporations such as Amazon, Regions Financial Corporation, JPMorgan Chase, and AT&T Mobility. In addition, American, Delta, and United Airlines fly out of Shreveport Regional Airport.

The Position

St. Mark's seeks a dynamic, enthusiastic, engaging Head of School to begin July 1, 2023, who is devoted to the school's Episcopal mission, appreciative of its parish school history, and prepared to work closely with the Board of Trustees to secure a vibrant vision for the school's future. The next head of school must be a superb communicator who values transparency, fosters trust, inspires teamwork, and has experience promoting a culture of excellence. An individual with a track record of building and maintaining strong institutional and interpersonal relationships while connecting to the broader Shreveport community will lead St. Mark's. The next head of school must have a passion for two-year-old to eighth pedagogy, demonstrate a genuine knowledge and love for children, offer ease in making fair and firm decisions, enthusiastically encourage participation in academics, fine arts, and athletics, and joyfully provide leadership in spiritual development, faculty empowerment, enrollment management, and student achievement. This is an exceptional opportunity to lead a highly regarded private school with an unwavering commitment to student success and an enduring grounding in its Episcopal identity. The new head will lead with energy, empathy, and transparency and partner with others to shepherd St. Mark's Cathedral to a new era of growth and vitality.

To Apply

Interested candidates should provide a cover letter highlighting their interest in and fit for the position, a résumé, a statement of educational philosophy, and a list of five (5) professional references with contact information as a single PDF attachment. These materials should be sent to the consultants listed below. To ensure an interview with the consultants, candidates should submit materials and make contact by Friday, October 28; candidates will be evaluated as received.

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