



Maur Hill-Mount Academy

School Description

Maur Hill - Mount Academy (MH-MA) is a Catholic, co-ed, college-preparatory high school located in Atchison, Kansas, developed to model a college campus atmosphere. Students experience a rigorous academic curriculum in a structured and supportive environment. MH-MA enrolls 160 day and boarding students in grades 9 through 12 from across the United States and around the world, representing a variety of cultures and backgrounds. Its small-school setting enables MH-MA to challenge students to participate in a wide variety of activities and assume multiple leadership roles, leading to an active and vibrant campus community.

School Mission

Maur Hill - Mount Academy is a Catholic, international, college preparatory boarding school educating young men and women in the Benedictine tradition.

Position Description – President

The President is responsible for the leadership and oversight of Maur Hill - Mount Academy, working under the direction of the Board of Directors to implement the school's strategic goals and objectives.

- The President's highest priority is to present and embody the school's mission to the outside world as the ambassador of the school to its constituents and the general public.
- The President must support the Benedictine, Catholic identity of Maur Hill - Mount Academy while also respecting and including other faith traditions.
- The President is responsible for generating the school's revenue. Elements of this responsibility include:
 - Leading the Development Program and actively engaging with the school's alumni and benefactors to achieve the goals and objectives of the Development Program.
 - Supporting the Dean of Enrollment Management in marketing the school in key international and domestic recruiting markets and strengthening and expanding relationships and networks in those markets.

- Overseeing the school's marketing strategy to increase awareness of the school to strategic audiences, such as potential donors, international agents, potential domestic and international boarding parents and students, surrounding parishes and communities, college admission officers, and others with the potential to advance the mission of the school.
- Together with the principal, the President is charged with ensuring sound fiscal management of the school.

The President is specifically charged with the following:

Benedictine and Catholic Identity

- Rooted in the Catholic faith, lead students, staff, and families to grow in faith daily.

Organizational Leadership

- Establish and maintain internal communication structures.
- Establish direction and prioritization for the Development, Enrollment, Marketing, and Events teams.
- Work closely with the principal to implement the strategic direction of the school and remain informed of significant events at the school.
- Regularly consult with the Board of Directors and its Executive Committee regarding important strategic decisions and keep the Board informed through regular communication regarding updates on the President's areas of responsibility and emerging needs of the school.

Mission Advancement (Development) Program

- Represent the school to the public and the school's many constituents (benefactors, alumni, parents, clergy, agents, domestic and international parishes, etc.)
- Ensure fundraising objectives, including endowment, annual giving, and capital initiatives, are achieved to meet the present and future needs of the school.
- Maintain positive relationships with the community, the alumni, and the foundation boards.

Recruitment

- Support the Dean of Enrollment Management in maintaining and expanding domestic and international recruiting networks.

Qualifications and Skills

- Practicing Catholic who is passionate about Catholic schools and adept at explaining the benefits of a Catholic Education.
- Strong marketing skills to successfully promote MH-MA with prospective parents, benefactors, alumni, and college admissions directors
- Master's degree in education, business, or related field.
- Minimum of five years' experience in a leadership role in education, business, or related field.
- Strategic planning experience and execution capabilities.
- Excellent leadership and management skills with a track record of building and maintaining strong teams.
- Ability to analyze issues and balance fact-based analysis with intuition, information, and experience.
- Strong communication skills to exchange information clearly and concisely and deliver concepts, opinions, and ideas in a professional manner.
- Demonstrate patience and composure; adapt quickly and resourcefully to all situations.
- Proven fundraising and/or revenue-generating success.
- Willingness to travel extensively, both internationally and domestically, to recruit students, cultivate relationships with alumni and benefactors, and extend the reach of the school

MH-MA has roots dating back to its founding in 1863 by the local Benedictine monks and sisters, shortly after the founding of the affiliated Benedictine College in Atchison. The monks and sisters remain actively involved in both institutions today. Rooted in the Catholic faith and Midwestern values, Maur Hill - Mount Academy takes a proven approach to education, resulting in academic advancement and personal development that challenges and inspires every student. Graduates leave MH-MA well-prepared for their next steps into college, the start of their careers, and life as responsible, independent, and engaged members of the global community.

Submission and Compensation

The candidate should provide the following information on a confidential basis to careers@mh-ma.com addressed to:

Dan Pombo
Board Chair
Maur Hill-Mount Academy
1000 Green Street
Atchison, KS 66002

1. A cover letter to describe interest in and qualifications to be the President of Maur Hill – Mount Academy.
2. Salary requirements
3. Four references