



# Saint Anne

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*Cultivating Intellect, Faith, and Integrity since 1951*

St. Anne Catholic School began its long standing tradition of providing academic excellence and forming young disciples of Christ in 1951 in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Today St. Anne serves over 320 students from K3 through grade 12 on two campuses. The Lower School Campus is part of the St. Anne parish located in Rock Hill and serves students age 3 through 8th grade. The high school is currently located on the St. Philip Neri parish campus located in Fort Mill, just a short drive from the lower school.

St. Anne has a rich history. After the 1954 Supreme Court decision *Brown vs. Board of Education* ruled that segregated public schools were unconstitutional, St. Anne's School opened its doors to all Catholic children in the parish, regardless of race, and in doing so became the first racially integrated school in South Carolina. From its very humble beginnings with a handful of pupils in the rectory on Saluda Street in Rock Hill to its present enrollment of 320 students on two campuses, St. Anne School continues to reflect the faith, service, and diversity of the Catholic community in Rock Hill.

Some unique features of St. Anne include

- K3-12 parochial School
- Most religious instruction taught by religious (priest, deacon, sister)
- Rigorous, student- centered, inclusive academic program
- John Paul the Great program for the Arts
- The Pope Francis Center for Student Success
- 1:1 Technology K5-grade 12
- 11:1 Teacher to student ratio
- Over 42 clubs and sports

## ***Profile of a St. Anne School Leader***

The Catholic Church recognizes seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. These seven gifts are present in their fullness in Jesus Christ, but they are also found in all Christians who are in a state of grace. The St. Anne Faculty and staff integrate religious truth and values not only in the curriculum, but within all things that make up St. Anne School. In the Book of Isaiah 11: 2-3, the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are recognized as gifts that the Messiah would have possessed: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord. The nobility of the task to which teachers are called demands the imitation of Christ, the only Teacher, as they reveal the Christian message not only by word but also by every gesture of their behavior.

Each member of the St. Anne Leadership Team brings a positive attitude and unique gifts/talents to the Team which must be used in service to God and others. Through the integration of these gifts, each Team promotes the vitality of St. Anne Catholic School by demonstrating the following:

- Attentiveness to the Life-Giving Presence of God at Saint Anne School
- Ministry within the School
- Place of Learning
- Community of Care
- Improvement through renewal
- Act as a Catalyst for Change
- Serve as “mentor” or classroom supporter for all teachers

### **Team Members must:**

- Have faith in our community in times of adversity and change
- Advocate for our school in actions and words
- Be committed to school-wide change
- Be respected by colleagues
- Possess leadership potential
- Be self-starters who consistently follow through
- Promote and support the culture that every student can be successful.

- Ensure a safe and secure learning environment for all students.
- Through participation in a St. Anne Learning Community, support the growth and development of St. Anne School.

## **Job Description**

A dynamic, Christ-centered leader is needed to serve as Principal of St. Anne Catholic School. The new Principal must be a practicing Catholic in good standing in the Church with a strong commitment to Catholic Education and the teachings of the Church. Candidates will be asked to demonstrate their expertise in curriculum implementation, team building, faculty development, parental engagement, promotion of Catholic faith formation, the use of technology in instruction, and effective school management including exemplary communication and relationship-building skills. This opportunity is best suited for a forward-thinking individual with innovative ideas to help lead the school through a robust strategic planning process focused on building a high school facility.

## **Requirements**

### *Preferred Qualifications and Experience*

- Possess graduate-level academic credentials and/or professional background in education, leadership, or related field.
- Have previous teaching and administrative experience.
- Have administrative experience at the high school level.
- Be committed to the Diocese of Charleston's vision, mission, and philosophy for Catholic education.
- Are supportive and willing to drive ongoing school renewal through the strengthening of authentic Catholic education.
- Are collaborative leaders who evaluate information before making a decision/taking action.
- Exhibit trust and respect among students, faculty, parents, and all school and parish stakeholders.

- Possess a positive, collaborative attitude with a propensity for action based on realistic, specific, and attainable goals.
- Support technology as a communication and education tool.
- Drive the efforts to actively recruit and retain students and qualified teachers.
- Collaborate with the school and parish community to support school events, fundraising initiatives, and enrollment management.
- Be responsible for creating a climate that encourages the engagement of each student in the learning process while fostering a love for learning and intellectual curiosity.