



Austin Preparatory School Director of the Fr. Smith Library & Media Center

Austin Preparatory School, located in Reading, Massachusetts about 20 miles north of Boston, has an immediate opening for the Director of the Fr. Smith Library & Media Center. Founded in 1961, Austin Prep is a Catholic independent co-ed school serving students in grades 6-12. Austin Prep has a talented faculty of approximately 75 that administers a challenging curriculum that prepares students well for success in high school and college.

The Director of the Fr. Smith Library & Media Center reports directly to the Assistant Head of School and is responsible for all aspects of the library programs and facilities, supervises library staff, and seeks to ensure that the library's academic and technology resources compliment, enhance, and extend the School's educational program. The Director will collaborate with School leadership, and faculty, to ensure the library resources and initiatives align with the instructional goals embedded throughout the entire School community. The Director will be vigilant in maintaining awareness surrounding changing technology, trends, and resources relating to the most effective module for delivering information.

Qualifications:

- 5 – 7 years of successful experience in a leadership role within a library, preferably in an academic setting.
- BA/BS degree required, Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS) preferred.
- Must possess a visionary approach to developing the library and aligning it with the mission of the school while remaining technologically current, as well as anticipating upcoming trends in technology relating to information sharing and media.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND SEARCH PROCESS

Our Commitment to Mission

The mission of Austin Prep is to “inspire hearts to unite, minds to inquire, and hands, to serve” which we exemplify through the Augustinian charisms of veritas, unitas, and caritas. Austin Prep a Roman Catholic Augustinian secondary school committed to Catholic social teaching which is based on and inseparable from our understanding of human life and human dignity. Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God and is therefore invaluable and worthy of dignity and respect as a member of the human family.

Austin Prep encourages applications from candidates who appreciate, understand, and respect the mission of Austin Prep and the School's Catholic identity. We seek applicants who can help enrich the School's Roman Catholic Augustinian mission and can help advance our commitment to what Pope Francis calls “integral human development.”

Interested candidates should submit the following electronic documents as a single PDF to

Library.Director@austinprep.org

- 1) In their cover letter, in addition to indicating why they are particularly interested in and qualified for this position, all candidates should describe how they can help support our Catholic faith and our Augustinian heritage.
- 2) Resume
- 3) Three professional references including e-mail, phone number, and a description of the professional relationship (references will not be contacted without the applicant's permission).

We will be reviewing applications immediately and only qualified candidates will be contacted as materials are received.