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Mid-Pacific Institute Begins Search for the Independent School's 10th President

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HONOLULU – Mid-Pacific Institute today announced it has begun the search for a new president to lead the independent, co-ed, K-12, college-preparatory school. The application deadline is September 4, 2026. The school anticipates appointing its next President to begin on July 1, 2027. While this remains the preferred timeline, the Search Committee recognizes that some highly qualified candidates may require additional transition time and is open to discussing a July 1, 2028, start date when appropriate.

Mid-Pacific's Board of Trustees recently selected members for its Presidential Search Committee and engaged Resource Group 175 (RG175) to lead this important recruitment effort. RG175 is a premier leadership and governance firm specializing in independent schools. This team brings a deep understanding of Mid-Pacific's unique culture and a proven track record of successful searches in Hawai'i.

"Mid-Pacific is driven by values that honor 'ohana, creativity, innovation, and a deep sense of belonging," said Chris Dods, Mid-Pacific Board of Trustees Member and Search Committee Co-Chair. "We believe education should prepare young people not just for college and careers, but for lives filled with meaning and purpose. We are looking for a leader who shares this commitment and brings the vision needed to build upon our foundations for years to come."

The school's culture is welcoming, inclusive, and deeply rooted in relationships. Students are encouraged to pursue their interests, develop confidence in their abilities, and engage thoughtfully with the world around them.

Since its beginnings in 1908, Mid-Pacific has charted a bold course, combining academic excellence with authentic self-discovery, innovation, and purpose-driven learning. Its founders envisioned a school that prepares students for a global perspective, creative problem-solving, and social responsibility within a diverse and welcoming community of many backgrounds, traditions, and cultures. Today, Mid-Pacific is recognized for its signature programs, its innovative teaching, and its commitment to helping students discover their passions and develop their individual talents. Signature programs such as the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme, Mid-Pacific School of the Arts (MPSA), and innovative interdisciplinary learning experiences reflect a school that has long embraced new ideas while remaining true to its core values.

The school now seeks a new president at an important time in its 118-year history. Its faculty and staff are dedicated, the administrative team is committed, families care deeply about the school and its people, the Board of Trustees is steadfast in its focus on the school's mission and future, and students thrive with confidence, adaptability, and integrity. Guided by the principles of generosity, justice, compassion, and gratitude, Mid-Pacific is well positioned for its next chapter of growth and continued excellence.

Interested candidates can view the [Position Statement](#) and apply at rg175.com/current-search/655. The deadline for receipt of full application materials is Friday, September 4, 2026. Applicants must apply through the RG175 portal. Mid-Pacific has also launched a dedicated web page for the presidential search, midpac.edu/about/leadership/presidential-search, where the community or potential candidates can find detailed information about the search.

The Search Committee intends to interview semi-finalist candidates in the early fall. The successful candidate will be a strategic and relational leader who embraces Mid-Pacific's mission, understands the unique context and culture of Hawai'i, and is inspired by the opportunity to lead a dynamic and evolving school community.

About Mid-Pacific Institute

Mid-Pacific Institute is a preschool through grade 12 private school in Honolulu with 1,400 students, nestled into 43 acres in Mānoa Valley. Founded in 1908, Mid-Pacific cultivates compassionate world-ready learners who make a positive impact through purpose-driven passions and creativity. Mid-Pacific is home to the Center for Advancing Education, committed to transforming education in Hawai'i through the Kupu Hou and Global Exchange Academies. First-in-Hawai'i programs include School of the Arts, the Immersive Technology Program and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme. The Mid-Pacific experience empowers students to thrive with confidence, adaptability, and integrity as contributing members of their local and global communities. For more, visit midpac.edu.

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