



Dear Schenck School Community,

I am writing to share an update on the search for The Schenck School's next Head of School. As you know, Joan Beauregard and Lisa Lyle of Educators Collaborative are working closely with the Board of Trustees to guide this important process. They also helped the Board recruit our Interim Head of School, Peter Barrett, whose remarkable leadership has already been a tremendous gift to the School.

Lisa and Joan believe that a successful Head of School search begins with a deep understanding of a school's mission, identity, values, and aspirations. Their approach is grounded in genuine partnership and thoughtful listening. During several days at Schenck last week, they toured the School, visited classrooms, and participated in interviews and focus groups with trustees, faculty, staff, parents, alumni, and faculty members who are also alumni.

Before Joan and Lisa's site visit, the full community had an opportunity to participate in a survey that captured the skills and attributes we seek in our next Head of School. Their visit and the survey helped identify the high-level strategic priorities for the search. The information gathered through the site-visit conversations and more than 280 completed surveys will help Joan, Lisa, and the Search Committee draft the Information for Candidates (IFC), the recruitment document for the position. Once finalized, the IFC will be posted on the [Head of School Search website](#).

As I previously shared, I am committed to keeping you updated throughout the search process. In the coming months, the Search Committee, Lisa, and Joan will move on to the important work of identifying and recruiting prospective candidates. Although this stage of the process may be less visible to the community, the work will be quite active behind the scenes. During this time, the Search Committee will work closely with Lisa and Joan to review prospective candidates' materials and identify those who most closely align with Schenck's needs and priorities. Because discretion is an important part of the recruitment process, candidate identities will remain confidential throughout this stage. We will continue to share updates with you as the search progresses.

With that, I hope you are enjoying the start of another exciting and rewarding school year. It is wonderful to see the students, faculty, and staff engaging joyfully in community with one another again.

Warmly,

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