

Principal

Opening: Principal

Parish/School: St. Patrick Catholic School

Description: St. Patrick Catholic School seeks a faith-filled, mission-driven, and collaborative leader to serve as Principal. The Principal reports directly to the Pastor and serves as the instructional, spiritual, and administrative leader of the school, working in close partnership with parish leadership, faculty, staff, and families. To learn more and review the full job description, visit stpatlou.org.

Rooted in a vibrant parish community, St. Patrick Catholic School educates students in partnership with families to form young people intellectually, spiritually, morally, and socially in the Catholic tradition. The Principal is responsible for advancing the school's mission, strengthening Catholic identity, ensuring academic excellence, fostering a healthy and collaborative faculty culture, and overseeing the effective operation of the school in collaboration with parish leadership.

Qualifications: The Principal must be a practicing Catholic who serves as a visible spiritual leader and witness to the Gospel, fostering faith formation among students, staff, and families in collaboration with the Pastor.

The successful candidate will demonstrate:

An active, integrated Catholic faith life and a clear commitment to Catholic education.

A leadership style rooted in Gospel values, humility, integrity, and service.

The ability to lead with clarity, calm, and confidence during times of growth and transition.

Strong relational skills and the ability to foster healthy, trusting relationships.

Excellent communication skills marked by transparency, consistency, and respect.

The capacity to balance vision with execution and strategy with daily leadership.

Emotional maturity, resilience, and the ability to manage conflict constructively.

Required:

Practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church

Master's Degree in Educational Administration or related field

Valid administrative certification (or working toward certification)

Minimum of 3–5 years of classroom teaching experience

Previous administrative or leadership experience in a school setting preferred

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

Knowledge of Catholic doctrine, religious education, and faith formation

Understanding of child and adolescent development

Experience with curriculum development, assessment, and instructional best practices

Strong organizational and management skills

Ability to manage multiple responsibilities with initiative and professionalism

Capacity to work collaboratively within a parish–school governance structure

Contact: Send resume and cover letter to searchcommittee@stpatlou.org.