



Notice of Position Availability

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

National Federation of State High School Associations

The NFHS Board of Directors is officially announcing a vacancy for the position of executive director of the National Federation of State High School Associations, which has been created by the impending May 2010 retirement of Executive Director Robert F. Kanaby. The NFHS, which is located in Indianapolis, Indiana, is the national leadership organization for high school athletic and fine arts activity programs. Since 1920, the NFHS has led the development of education-based interscholastic sports and fine arts activities that help students succeed in their lives. Members of the NFHS are high school associations in the 50 states plus the District of Columbia, and the NFHS reaches more than 19,000 high schools and more than 11 million participants in high school activity programs through its 51 members.

The Executive Director is responsible for general administration of NFHS headquarters in Indianapolis, IN and employing an administrative and support staff within the budgetary limitations established by the Board of Directors; screening, hiring and dismissal of all NFHS staff members; reporting to the Board of Directors at four annual meetings; and providing leadership, direction and support to the 51 member associations.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

The successful candidate should:

- Have the ability to communicate – both in written and verbal form – to small and large groups, as well as individuals.
- Have demonstrated the ability to lead.
- Have demonstrated good judgment.
- Have demonstrated responsible behavior.

- Have a commitment to education-based athletics and activities.
- Be respected within the community of his/her experience.
- Have high moral character.
- Have a reputation of sound integrity and honesty.
- Have a passion for the true mission of education-based activities.
- Be a consensus-builder.
- Be a change agent.
- Be knowledgeable and well-read.

Education/General Experience Requirements

- Minimum of an earned Master's Degree in Education or related field – Doctorate desirable.
- Background in teaching, coaching and administration at the secondary level (grades 7–12), including superintendents, principals, athletic administrators. Minimum of 15 years combined experience in the above-mentioned positions.
- Understanding of, or involvement and experience with, state high school associations.
- Understanding of the role of the NFHS.
- Experience with the legal process at all levels.
- Prior positions of leadership.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Application packet should include the following:

1. Letter of application, directed to NFHS President Ennis Proctor.
2. A resume that reflects the qualifications and skills for the position.
3. A list of four references, only one of which should be a character reference. Please include addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses for all references.

All materials should be directed to Mautrice Meriweather, Human Resources Manager, NFHS, PO Box 690, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206.

Application Timeline

1. December 4, 2009 – Deadline for Receipt of Applications
2. February 1–2, 2010 – Interviews with Finalists for Position
3. February 15, 2010 – Press Release Distributed to Announce Successful Candidate
4. May 15, 2010 – Anticipated Start Date for New Executive Director

The National Federation of State High School Associations shall hire, recruit and promote staff members without regard to gender, race, color, national origin, religion, age and disability, in accordance with applicable provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1991; and all other applicable laws, regulations and ordinances.