

Leadership Profile Report

January 24, 2024



Broad Spectrum of Data Collection

Qualitative: Interacted with 34 Stakeholders in 4 Focus Groups and 16 Individual Interviews

- 10 Parents
- 6 Faculty & Staff Members
- 16 Board & Administrators
- 2 Students

Quantitative: 65 Survey Responses

- 51 Parents
- 7 Faculty & Staff Members
- 4 Board & Administrators
- 1 Student
- 2 Community Members



Five Big Takeaways

The new Executive Director must ...

- Be visible & accessible to all stakeholders
- Be effective, transparent & timely with communications to all stakeholders
- Develop a shared-common vision
- Strategically plan to reach shared-common vision
- Build bountiful partnerships with
 - Community & U-46

EMSA's Strengths

- Talented Administration & caring Staff
- Dedicated & supportive Board
- Stakeholders invested in EMSA
- Current financial status
- Campus development, renovations and maintenance
- Promise of the campus

EMSA's Strengths, cont.

- Sense of a community where everyone knows your name
- Great platform for learning
- Enrollment, smaller class sizes waiting list
- Appreciation of diversity
- EL curriculum & use of technology
- Overall safety

EMSA's Areas to Improve

- Communications
- Academics Math & Science, especially at junior high level
- Student achievement
- Meeting the needs of student subgroups
- EL utilization & staff development

EMSA's Areas to Improve, cont.

- HR management
- Administrative alignment
- Community connections & support
- Extra-curricular & academic offerings
- Common vision & known direction

Executive Director 10 Desired Characteristics

- 1. Experienced Educational Leader w/Business Sense.
- 2. Understands and embraces EMSA's philosophy and will collaboratively identify and successfully lead necessary changes and innovations to move the Academy forward.
- 3. Genuinely likes people and is deeply caring and authentically passionate about EMSA's students and their academic success and personal growth.
- 4. Visionary, future focused but analytic about changes.
- 5. Effective communicator and active listener.

Executive Director 10 Desired Characteristics, cont.

- Highly visible, personable, approachable, accessible presence, who relates well to all.
- 7. Servant leader who is highly collaborative, inclusive and skilled at empowering others while building a positive climate.
- 8. Trustworthy and trusting while demonstrating integrity and honesty.
- 9. A staunch advocate for Charter Schools, EL and Science & Math.
- 10. Ambassador to the community as a whole and the ability to articulate ESMA aspirations and goals.

Next Steps

- Continue to accept applications until January 31, continue to interview, screen, and reference check
- Present slate of candidates 2/7 meeting
- Review interview protocols 2/7 meeting
- Board interviews slated candidates 2/20, 2/21 & 2/22
- At a future meeting discuss offer, compensation package and contract
- Board selects Executive Director by 4/1

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