

Job Title: Director of Counseling and College Counselor

**Department**: Upper School (Counseling)

**Contract Period**: 11 Months

Reports to: Dean of the Upper School

## Calling:

The Director of Counseling will be a dynamic and effective leader who is able to work collaboratively with the counseling team and Upper School educators. This person will be well versed in a school counseling program, including academic preparation, college and career counseling, and social and emotional care. This person will lead, guide, and supervise gradelevel counselors and the registrar. Additionally, this person will work closely with the Dean and should be positive, flexible, and have a strong rapport with educators, students, and parents.

## **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Support school policies and the teachings of the Catholic Church in word and actions.
- Serve as the leader of the Upper School Counseling center and assist in college advising.
- Create a comprehensive school counseling program.
- Create and facilitate an internship program for seniors.
- Oversee Upper School student registration.
- Oversee the College Counseling Program for grades 9-12.
- Oversee an advisory program.
- Provide academic and social and emotional counseling to students.
- Support and lead the Upper School grade counselors with their responsibilities and professional growth.
- Communicate with parents and students about counseling.
- Conduct (or advise at) parent-teacher-student conferences.
- Finalize transcripts/final grade reports for all students so that graduation requirements are met.
- Perform duties as assigned by the President of the School and the Dean of the Upper School, supporting the leadership team of St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School.

## The Ideal Candidate will possess the following qualities:

- Master's degree in school counseling or related field.
- At minimum three years of experience as a school/college counselor.
- Training in Crisis Response (or willingness to be trained).
- An appreciation of and commitment to single gender education, diversity, and serving the needs of a diverse population.
- Effective communication skills and the ability to positively collaborate with others.
- Leadership and team building skills; ability to reach out and develop community.
- Initiative and creativity to develop a challenging, innovative, and exciting counseling program.
- Flexibility, energy, high expectations, and high integrity.

Candidates should email a completed application and credentials (cover letter, resume, and a list of references) to Heather Valdez, Dean of the Upper School (<a href="https://exau-sds.org">hvaldez@saa-sds.org</a>). The position will remain open until filled.

St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School is an Equal Opportunity Employer dedicated to promoting diversity in the workplace and strongly urges all qualified individuals to apply.

St. Agnes Academy-St. Dominic School is a Catholic, independent school in Memphis, Tennessee, inspired by the Dominican Pillars of Study, Prayer, Community, and Service. We have a supportive, familial school connected by a warm, welcoming atmosphere. The school, which offers both single-gender and co-educational programs in grades PK2-12, is committed to growing well-balanced students, mind, body, and spirit, in a faith-filled environment.