Head of Personnel & Community Care

Summary of Position

- 1. He/she advances the shared mission and vision of Lancaster Mennonite School.
- 2. He/she is responsible for facilitating, managing, and maintaining a positive people-centric culture of care.
- 3. He/she shall serve and support all faculty, staff members, and the school community by building culture and supporting teacher and student engagement.

Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Reports directly to the Superintendent.
- 2. Demonstrates anti-racism and cultural responsiveness to socio-economic diversity and gender differences. Demonstrates care of all peoples as an expression of Christian faith.
- 3. Participate in restorative meetings with parents to support principals with conflict resolution.
- 4. Lead, oversee and implement LM's Title IX.
- 5. Oversee, maintain and assist with the implementation of LM's Crisis Management Plan.
- 6. Work closely with the Superintendent on the strategic plan to develop annual goals and objectives consistent with LM's strategic priorities and goals.
- 7. Lead and develop project management process for developing and sustaining pathway partnerships with Community Based Organizations (CBO).
- 8. Supervise assigned personnel and assist administrators as it relates to all of LM's operations.
- 9. Attend Board meetings and prepare reports for the Board as the Superintendent may request.
- 10. Champion LM's mission and values by interacting with parents, outside agencies, businesses and the community to enhance the understanding of LM initiatives and priorities.
- 11. In collaboration with the Superintendent, maintain and update a leadership succession plan for the group and proactively identify new leaders.
- 12. Outwardly generate discussions about LM's culture and people to achieve LM's strategic interest to elicit support and assistance.
- 13. Maintain a network of peer contacts through professional organizations.
- 14. Responsible for HR duties including but not limited:
 - a) Develop and implement HR strategies and initiatives aligned with LM's values and strategic plan.
 - b) Bridge relations by addressing demands, complaints, grievances, or other issues.

- c) Promote diversity and belonging initiatives in alignment with LM's policies and values.
- d) Ensure and administer the adoption of policies that improve faculty and staff experience, performance, satisfaction and an environment of position engagement.
- e) In collaboration with principals, establish and conduct recruitment and hiring processes for all faculty and staff by crafting job descriptions and extending job offer.
- f) Collaborate with Administrative Team members in the general onboarding and orientation for new faculty and staff; develop and standardize onboarding expectations, schedules, protocols and procedures system-wide.
- g) Manage and conduct offboarding of staff, including exit interviews; analyze data and make recommendations to the Superintendent for corrective action and continuous improvement.
- h) In collaboration with the CFO, support and guide termination of faculty and staff following the school's policies.
- Partner with the leadership team to understand and execute the school's human resource and talent strategy, particularly concerning current and future needs, recruiting, retention and succession planning.
- j) Provide support and guidance to the Administrative Team and other staff when complex, specialized and sensitive questions and issue arise; may be required to administer and execute routine tasks in delicate circumstances, such as providing reasonable accommodations, investigating allegations of wrongdoing and termination with restorative and people care strategies.
- k) Create learning and development programs and initiatives that provide internal development opportunities for faculty and staff.
- Attend training sessions and conferences to remain abreast of current best practices, programs and legal issues.
- m) Facilitate faculty and staff disciplinary meetings, terminations and investigations.
- n) Document the frankest feedback possible concerning individual or school culture, for instance, if school culture was a significant factor in retention, recruitment, faculty and staff satisfaction or decision to leave.
- o) Maintain compliance with federal, state and local employment laws and regulations and recommend best practices; review policies and practices to maintain compliance.
- p) Maintain knowledge trends, best practices, regulatory changes and new technologies in human resources, talent management and employment law.
- q) Lead and determine strategic processes that will demonstrate LM's strategic priorities system-wide and synchronize them with faculty and staff's career objectives.
- 15. Perform other duties as assigned.

Requirements and Qualifications

- 1. A Bachelor's degree in Human Resources, Business Administration or related field is required (Master's degree is preferred or experience equivalency).
- 2. A minimum of three years of human resource management and education experience is required.
- 3. SHRM-CP or SHRM-SCP is highly desired.
- 4. Embody a strong personal commitment to Anabaptist Christian values, seeking Jesus wholeheartedly and building bridges of peace while integrating a restorative justice approach within the educational system and living it out.

- 5. Participation in a local church.
- 6. Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- 7. Excellent interpersonal, negotiation and conflict-resolution skills.
- 8. Excellent organization skills and attention to detail.
- 9. Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- 10. Ability to prioritize tasks and delegate them when appropriate.
- 11. Ability to act with integrity, professionalism and confidentiality.
- 12. Thorough knowledge of employment related laws and regulations in education.
- 13. Proficient with Microsoft Office Suite or related software.
- 14. Attends school events such as chapel, concerts, athletics, homecoming, professional development, etc.