



Sage Ridge School

College Preparatory Excellence

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Dear Sage Ridge School Community:

As we begin a new school year at Sage Ridge, we wanted to update the school community on the progress of our search for a new Head of School. The search committee can report that much has happened since our last communication in June.

The Education Group, as you may be aware, had the opportunity to visit Sage Ridge just as school was ending this last May. Following that visit, we distributed a community wide survey seeking input and feedback. A position profile was developed which has been used in late July and August to market the position and to share information about the opportunity with candidates that have been identified.

A copy of the position description is available on the Sage Ridge website for your review. Advertisements were also placed on several professional websites frequented by independent school administrators. Information about the opportunity at Sage Ridge has blanketed professional circles.

Our search consultants have widely distributed the position statement to several Heads of School across the country. It has also been sent to a carefully identified group of independent school administrators who have been encouraged to consider our opportunity. The result of these efforts is a developing group of strongly qualified candidates who the folks at The Education Group are getting to know in depth during the coming weeks through telephone conversations and face-to-face interviews. The search committee anticipates having the first round of interviews concluded by mid-October.

Finalists will then be brought to the school and provide the opportunity for our school community to meet them in late October and November. December 2010 is the target date for identifying our next Head of School, although s(he) will not assume responsibilities until July 1, 2011.

Our consultants have indicated that our pool of candidates is very diverse with seated Heads of School, divisional administrators at other independent schools, candidates with admissions and development experience, and academic deans. Candidates are from the far west, southwest and east coast of the United States representing a nice range of age groups, and mix of males and females. Several of the candidates had already heard of Sage Ridge School and were excited to learn more about Reno and the opportunity at Sage Ridge.

We are in the midst of the search and making good progress. Please know that the

committee is available to answer any of your questions regarding the process and respond to any suggestions that may enhance the search process.

We look forward to seeing you at the Welcome Back BBQ and the beginning of the new school year!

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