



## **Director, Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences and the Arts**

The President and Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas System invite letters of application and letters of nomination for the position of Director of the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts (ASMSA). The Director is the chief executive officer and external representative of the School and is responsible to the President of the University of Arkansas System. The Director exercises broad responsibilities for the academic, financial, student, and administrative dimensions of institutional operations, initiatives and outcomes.

Founded in 1991, the Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts is a residential school with a legislated mission to educate Arkansas's gifted mathematics, sciences and arts students during their junior and senior years of high school. In addition to its residential program, the school is committed to a broad academic program of distance education and to teacher enhancement throughout the entire state. The school's unique curriculum encourages the extensive use of educational technology, multi-disciplinary team teaching and student initiated research programs. Graduates of ASMSA are represented in the student bodies and as graduates of the strongest universities in Arkansas and in top ranked public and private institutions across the country. Students regularly dominate regional and local academic competitions and garner top scholarship support from the universities they attend. The ASMSA campus is located in the historic district of Hot Springs situated in a region of lakes, rivers, and the scenic Ouachita Mountains.

The ASMSA is looking for a candidate who possesses outstanding instructional leadership, fiscal management, communications and consensus building skills. Preferred qualifications include:

- Senior administrative and instructional experience leading academic and residential life programs for gifted, highly motivated students in a residential school setting. Comparable experience at a college or conventional high school may be acceptable but less desirable.
- An effective fiscal manager with a demonstrated record of successful budgetary administration.
- Well developed interpersonal skills to build and maintain consensus in the ASMSA community, to empower faculty and staff to be innovative, and to provide support and encouragement for students in and out of the classroom.
- The vision, passion and communication skills to build, maintain and nurture support for the unique ASMSA mission among such diverse constituencies as parents, the Hot Springs community, the Arkansas Public Education and Higher Education systems and members of the Arkansas General Assembly.
- A proven track record of raising funds from federal, state and private sources and overseeing the expenditure of those funds with full accountability.
- Outreach experience to support ASMSA's extensive distance education program serving over 4000 students and teachers from across the state.
- An earned doctorate with an emphasis in mathematics, science and/or the arts.

Letters of interest should include a curriculum vitae and a list of at least three references with names and contact information. Letters of nominations should include the full name and address



of the proposed candidate and other information known by the nominator. Send materials to:

Director Search Committee  
Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences and the Arts  
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Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901-3408

or by e-mail to [search@asmsa.org](mailto:search@asmsa.org). Electronic submission is encouraged. Review of applications will begin on February 15, 2012, and will continue until the position is filled. For more information about the school, visit our website at <http://www.asmsa.org>.

The Arkansas School for Mathematics, Sciences, and the Arts is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.