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Marian College Ararat

Application Package

Position: Head of Staff Development

Senior Leadership Role (New)

Commencing Term 1, 2023

Closing Date

4.00pm, Friday 25th July, 2022

Dear Applicant

Thank you for applying for a Leadership position at Marian College Ararat.

Please note

* Application close at 4.00pm on 25th July, 2022. Applications including cover letter, Resume and ‘Application For Employment’ are asked to be emailed to the Principal, Carmel Barker, at [principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au)
* Your application will be acknowledged and a copy of the Marian College Employment Privacy Policy will be forwarded to you.
* After applications close, you will be advised if you have been successful in securing an interview for this position.

Any information provided by you in connection with your application for employment may be checked by Marian College with relevant authorities, previous employers, referees or sources. By making an application for this position you consent to these pre-employment checks.

For any further information in relation to the position, please contact Carmel Barker, Principal, [principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au) or (03) 5352 3861.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. Carmel Barker

Principal

**Position Description**

**Job Title**: Head of Staff Development

**Position of Leadership:** Senior Leadership Team

**Tenure:** Ongoing

**Load:**  Full time position

**Remuneration**: Commencing $72,058 – $108,003 Teacher plus Leadership Allowance

**Teaching at Marian College**

At Marian College we are seeking committed and suitably qualified teachers who:

* have an understanding of the ethos of a Catholic school and its mission.
* are positive people who enjoy working with young people,
* have a love of learning and a wish to share this.
* are interested in working as part of a dedicated teaching team.

The Culture of Learning at Marian College is a foundation document which provides the expectations of teachers and of students. A copy of the document is on the College’s website.

**Key Selection Criteria:**

In support of your application, please include evidence of your capacity and potential to meet the following criteria:

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| **Key Selection Criteria for Marian College** | |
| Commitment to  Catholic Education | * An understanding of the ethos of a Catholic school and its mission * A willingness to support the College’s values, policies and procedures. |
| Commitment to  Child Safety | * Experience working with children * A demonstrated understanding of child safety * A demonstrated understanding of appropriate behaviours when engaging with children * Familiarity with legal obligations relating to child safety (e.g. mandatory reporting) * Be a suitable person to engage in child-connected work |
| Education and Experience | * Current Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) registration * Accreditation to teach in a Catholic school or be willing to work towards such accreditation * Demonstrated leadership qualities in a school setting * Demonstrated ability to lead teams or individuals to meet organisational needs and outcomes |
| Skills/Attributes | * Ability to work as part of a team * Excellent interpersonal and communication skills * Good oral and written communication skills, including ability to communicate with children, parents and the school community * Ability to develop and maintain strong working relationships with key stakeholders * Capacity to work to tight timelines * Proven capacity to work independently * Sound organisational skills including strong attention to detail * Proven time-management skills * Self-motivation |

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**Head of Staff Development**

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| **Location : Marian College Ararat** |
| **Classification : Senior Leadership Position, 1050 minutes** |
| **Reports to : Principal** |

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| **STATEMENT OF DUTIES** | |
| **Commitment to  Catholic Education** | * An understanding of the ethos of a Catholic school and its mission. * A willingness to support the College’s values, policies and procedures. |
| **Head of Staff Development** | **Senior Leadership Position**  All Leadership positions at Marian College have a particular orientation of ministry based on the person of Jesus Christ.  As a Kildare Education Ministries school in the Brigidine tradition, those in positions of Senior Leadership at Marian College are expected to:   * Reflect on the Kildare Ministries Core Values and interpret their relevance for a leader’s individual area of responsibility; * Demonstrate an ability to reflect on and understand the school culture; * Articulate a clear and informed vision in which their area of responsibility might contribute to the overall mission of the school; * Commit to working collaboratively to promote a shared ownership and responsibility for learning at the College; * Demonstrate a willingness to engage in reflective thinking about the leader’s specific role, seeking feedback about personal performance and improvement; * Establish and maintain systematic organisational and administrative management; * Demonstrate an ability to discuss and reflect on complex issues and exercise sound judgment in decision making.   Working with and in support of the Principal, all members of the Senior Leadership Team at Marian College are responsible for the stewardship of the Core Values and the establishment and support of a school culture in accordance with the College’s intended mission.  As a priority, all senior leaders focus on a shared leadership model, where staff and students are empowered to exercise leadership in their own right; where support and encouragement are provided to enable individuals to develop their own leadership capabilities.  **Head of Staff Development**  The College is seeking a highly competent classroom teacher/leader who will be responsible for supporting teachers in their commitment to continuous improvement.  In practice, this means to:   * Facilitate a culture of teacher reflection, self review and continuous improvement with teachers. * Guide and support teachers in establishing professional goals that align with the College Strategic Plan and Annual Improvement Plan. * Facilitate and support building teacher capacity for effective classroom pedagogy that:   ·   Focuses on student learning outcomes  ·   Provides for diverse student needs  ·   Is informed by data and research for best teaching practice.  ·   Cultivates productive working relationships and teacher collaboration.   * Facilitate the development of IT skills and use of the school’s online resources for teachers. * Consults with learning leaders and key providers in support of online educational programs such as Edrolo, Ed Perfect and Mathspace. * Oversee and approve teacher professional development in partnership with leadership. * Coordinate Wednesday Professional Learning. * Support graduate teachers through regular meetings as they work towards full registration. * Support induction processes into classroom practice for teachers new to the school in partnership with mentors.     In partnership with the leadership team:   * Nurture the Catholic life of the school and the integration of beliefs and values. * Engage in succession planning and development of staff. * Nurture a safe, supportive and respectful environment for staff and students. * Engage in strategic planning, review processes and whole-school improvement vision, objectives and goals. * Support the key priorities for improvement - Literacy, Professional Learning Teams (PLCs)  and student Intervention processes. * Promotes and supports shared ownership and accountability for student performance growth. |
| **Commitment to Child Safety** | * A demonstrated understanding of child safety * A demonstrated understanding of appropriate behaviours when engaging with children * Be a suitable person to engage in child-connected work * Must hold or be willing to acquire a Working with Children Check card and must be willing to undergo a National Police Record Check * Be familiar with and comply with the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct, and any other policies or procedures relating to child safety * Assist in the provision of a child-safe environment for students * Demonstrate duty of care to students in relation to their physical and mental wellbeing |
| **General Duties** | * Contribute to a healthy and safe work environment for yourself and others and comply with all safe work policies and procedures * Attend school meetings and after school services/assemblies, sporting events, mass, community and faith days as required by the Principal * Demonstrate professional and collegiate relationships with colleagues * Other duties as directed by the Principal |
| **Skills/Attributes** | * Ability to work as part of a team * Excellent interpersonal and communication skills * Good oral and written communication skills, including ability to communicate with children, parents and the school community * Ability to develop and maintain strong working relationships with key stakeholders * Capacity to work to tight timelines * Proven capacity to work independently * Sound organisational skills including strong attention to detail * Proven time-management skills * Self-motivation |

**TEACHER AT MARIAN COLLEGE**

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| **Contemporary Teaching** | * Employ a variety of teaching strategies to effectively build student understanding and confidence as independent learners * Develop a stimulating learning environment to cater for individual learning needs * Understand and adhere to state and national course requirements including the standards of professionals practice – Australian Standards of Teaching – and the CECV * Use the Marian College Classroom Expectations document (for staff) as a basis for your teaching * Use the Student Learning Action Statement as the basis of your classroom expectations of students * Give appropriate time to lesson planning and organisation * Keep accurate records of student attendance * Embrace the use of information and communications technologies to enhance learning * Engage in learning progress discussions with students, TAs, Heads of House, parents * Write formal academic reports that conform to the Marian College report writing guidelines and time lines * Monitor the progress of each student and provide meaningful and regular feedback to each student on their progress |
| **Pastoral Care and Child Safety** | * Provide students with a child-safe environment * Be familiar with and comply with the Marian College Child Safe Policy and Code of Conduct, and any other policies or procedures relating to child safety and privacy * Proactively monitor and support student wellbeing * Exercise pastoral care through your teaching, the TA/House system and other interactions with students in a manner which reflects Marian College values * Implement strategies which promote a healthy and positive learning environment * Attend House meetings as scheduled * Attend all school assemblies * Attend school liturgical celebrations * Attend school organised activities relevant to house, TA or year level, as required |
| **Curriculum Development** | * Plan, develop, review and evaluate curriculum in subject areas and at year levels which you teach * Develop assessment instruments in a collegial manner Evaluate digital learning materials and make recommendations to subject coordinators about their implementation * Create and evaluate online resources for the purposes of enriching the curriculum * Attend faculty meetings as scheduled |
| **Professional Development** | * Take an active role in the Marian College Professional Learning teams * Take an active role in the classroom observation process * Construct an annual professional learning plan and regularly annotate progress * Have current knowledge of curriculum initiatives in your teaching areas * Commit to ongoing professional development in your teaching areas * Be open to researching areas of interest relevant to directions provided in the school’s strategic plan * Continue development of ICT skills as technologies evolve * Participate in the Annual Review Meeting (ARM) process * Be an active member of a relevant professional association/network as time/distance permits * Support collegial learning by acting as a mentor or supervising and supporting a student teacher after consultation with Head of Faculty |
| **Co-Curricular Involvement** | * Support and be involved in the co-curricular program * Proactively encourage students to participate in co-curricular activities * Oversee the provision and care of relevant equipment materials and first aid requirements |
| **General and Administrative Duties** | * Contribute to a healthy and safe work environment for yourself and others and comply with all Marian College safe work policies and procedures * Maintain currency of first aid, mandatory reporting and anaphylaxis training * Demonstrate a duty of care to students in relation to their physical and mental wellbeing * Attend all relevant school meetings and after school services/assemblies, sporting events, mass, community and faith days as well as professional learning opportunities * Participate in duty supervision as rostered and other supervision duties when required * Demonstrate professional and collegiate relationships with colleagues * Uphold the professional standards expected of a teacher * Other duties as directed by the Principal |

**Child Protection and Safety**

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| Child abuse includes sexual offences, grooming, physical violence, serious emotional or psychological harm, serious neglect and a child’s exposure to family violence.  Marian College has zero tolerance for child abuse and is committed to the protection of all children from all forms of child abuse. |
| This Child Protection Program is made up of work systems, practices, policies and procedures designed to maintain a child safe environment and to embed an organisational culture of child safety within the College community. The Program deals specifically with child protection issues and is designed to ensure compliance with the Victorian Child Safe Standards and related child protection laws. Broader child safety issues arising from our common law duty of care are dealt with through our[Student Duty of Care Program](https://mcararat.cspace.net.au/StudentDutyofCare). |

With the implementation of Ministerial Order 870 relating to Child Protection and Safety, Marian College Ararat, in conjunction with Kildare Ministries and the Catholic Education Office, Ballarat, commenced the process of introducing and imbedding child protection and safety policies and procedures throughout the College and associated community.

**Statement of Principles Regarding Catholic Education**

The task of the Catholic school

Its task is fundamentally a synthesis of culture and faith, and a synthesis of faith and life: the first is reached by integrating all different aspects of human knowledge through the subject taught, in the light of the Gospel; the second in the growth of the virtues characteristic of the Christian.

(Congregation for Catholic Education, The Catholic School, 1977)

This same goal is expressed by the Victorian Catholic community which desires its schools to be communities of faith.

This broad philosophical stance reveals a concern for an education that combines sound knowledge and skills with an overall personal development rooted in Christian values. Such an education involves a high level of interpersonal transaction between staff and pupils.

Pope John Paul II spelt out key implications of this for staff who work in Catholic schools:

*The Church looks upon you as co-workers with an important measure of shared responsibility … To you it is given to create the future and give it direction by offering to your students a set of values with which to assess their newly discovered knowledge … [The changing times] demand that educators be open to new cultural influences and interpret them for young pupils in the light of Christian faith. You are called to bring professional competence and a high standard of excellence to your teaching … But your responsibilities make demands on you that go far beyond the need for professional skills and competence … Through you, as through a clear window on a sunny day, students must come to see and know the richness and joy of a life lived in accordance with Christ’s teaching, in response to his challenging demands. To teach means not only to impart what we know, but also to reveal who we are by living what we believe. It is this latter lesson which tends to last the longest.*

(Pope John Paul II, Address to Catholic Educators, September 12, 1984)

Pope John Paul II clarified this further when he spoke on Catholic Education in Melbourne:

*I welcome you into that chosen group called by the Church to educating young Catholics in the faith. In a very special way, you share in the Church’s mission of proclaiming the good news of salvation. Not all of you may be teaching catechetics, but if you are on the staff of a Catholic school, it is expected, and it is of the utmost importance, that you should support the whole of the Church’s teaching and bear witness to it in your daily lives … Certainly your work demands professionalism, but it also demands something more. Your professionalism as teachers involves tasks that are linked to your Baptism and to your own commitment in faith … No matter what subject you teach, it is part of your responsibility to lead your pupils more fully into the mystery of Christ and the living tradition of the Church … The parish primary school, where younger children receive their early lessons in the faith, remains a cornerstone of the pastoral care of Australian Catholic people. Here the community of faith hands on the timely message of Jesus Christ to its youngest members … More difficult challenges face the Catholic secondary school. Here students must be helped to achieve that integration of faith and authentic culture which is necessary for believers in today’s world. But they must also be helped to recognise and reject false cultural values which are contrary to the Gospel.*

(Pope John Paul II, Address to Catholic Education, November 28, 1986)

Pope Benedict stated when addressing Catholic educators in the United States of America in 2008:

*Education is integral to the mission of the Church to proclaim the Good News. First and foremost every Catholic educational institution is a place to encounter the living God who in Jesus Christ reveals his transforming love and truth (cf. Spe Salvi, 4). This relationship elicits a desire to grow in the knowledge and understanding of Christ and his teaching. In this way those who meet him are drawn by the very power of the Gospel to lead a new life characterised by all that is beautiful, good, and true; a life of Christian witness nurtured and strengthened within the community of our Lord’s disciples, the Church.*

(Pope Benedict XVI, Address to Catholic Educators, April 17, 2008)

And in an address to Catholic teachers during his visit to England in 2010, His Holiness stated:

*As you know, the task of a teacher is not simply to impart information or to provide training in skills intended to deliver some economic benefit to society; education is not and must never be considered as purely utilitarian. It is about forming the human person, equipping him or her to live life to the full – in short it is about imparting wisdom.*

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*It means that the life of faith needs to be the driving force behind every activity in the school, so that the Church’s mission may be served effectively, and the young people may discover the joy of entering into Christ’s “being for others”.*

(Pope Benedict XVI, Address to Catholic Teachers, September 17, 2010)

This philosophy of Catholic education, expressed in a growing number of documents and policy statements, guides the Catholic school in its functioning. Whilst it is accountable to the general community for the provision of quality education to young people, it is also accountable to the Church community for providing this within the context of the Gospel and its values as expressed in Catholic doctrine. The Catholic school is more than an educative institution: it is a key part of the Church, and an essential element in the Church’s mission. So too staff in the Catholic school are more than employees – they minister in the name of the Church and of the Gospel.

All staff in the Catholic school have an indispensable role to play. It is expected of all staff employed in a Catholic school that they:

1. accept the Catholic educational philosophy of the school;
2. develop and maintain an adequate understanding of those aspects of Catholic teaching that touch upon their subject areas and other aspects of their work;
3. by their teaching and other work, and by personal example, strive to help students to understand, accept and appreciate Catholic teaching and values;
4. avoid, whether by word, action or public lifestyle, influence upon students that is contrary to the teaching and values of the Church community in whose name they act;
5. in relation to teachers, comply with the Accreditation Policy of the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) to teach in a Catholic school, and other CECV policies, and uphold the professional standards expected of a teacher;
6. be committed to regular ongoing professional development;
7. be qualified as required by state authorities;
8. be a person suitable to work with children.

**Application for Employment –** *Head of Staff Development*

Marian College is committed to child safety and is legally required to obtain the following information about a person whom it proposes to engage to perform child-connected work:

1. Working with Children Check status, or similar check
2. proof of personal identity and any professional or other qualifications
3. the person’s history of work involving children
4. references that address the person’s suitability for the job and working with children.

It is a requirement that all applicants complete this form. You must complete all parts of the form. Any false or incomplete statement or information in this form or in connection with your application for employment may lead to a rejection of your application for employment. Any information provided by you in this form may be checked by the prospective employer with relevant authorities, previous employers, referees or sources. By signing or submitting this form you consent to these pre-employment checks. Information provided will be treated in accordance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

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**Pre-Employment Disclosure Questions** that be person suitable to work with

It is an inherent requirement of the position that you be a person suitable to work in child-connected work. Each of the following questions are relevant to the prospective employer understanding and determining your likely ability to carry out the inherent requirements of the advertised position. You must answer each question.

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| 1. **Have you ever had any disciplinary action taken against you by an employer (e.g. received a warning or had your employment terminated) in relation to any inappropriate or unprofessional conduct?** |
| NO YES |
| If yes, please provide details: |
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| 1. **Have you ever been the subject of an allegation of inappropriate or unprofessional conduct which has been substantiated by an employer or other body?** |
| NO YES |
| If yes, please provide details: |
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| 1. **Have you ever been found guilty of a criminal offence or are you currently facing criminal charges?** |
| NO YES |
| If yes, please provide details: |
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| 1. **Do you consent to the prospective employer contacting the appropriate person at any or all of your current or former employers (including any retired person who at the relevant time may have been employed by a former employer) to confirm the accuracy of your answers in questions 1–3 above and to ask about your suitability to work with children?** |
| NO YES |
| If no, this will be discussed further if you are offered an interview. |

**Applicant declaration**

I declare that the contents of this form are true and correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and no information concerning my employment history has been withheld.

I understand that any willfully incorrect or misleading answer or material omission which relates to any of the questions in this form may make me ineligible for employment, or if employed, liable to disciplinary action which may include dismissal.

I understand that all applicants are required to undergo background screening which may include a National Police Record Check. I consent to such screening and checks in connection with my application for employment. I consent to the prospective employer making inquiries of any current and/or previous employers in connection to the information and answers I have provided in this form to verify the accuracy of the information in this form and to confirm my ability to carry out the inherent requirements of the position including my suitability to perform child-connected work. I understand and accept that my appointment to this position requires compliance with the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct. I have read and understand the school's child-safe policy and code of conduct.

I understand and accept that my appointment to this position requires a commitment to Catholic Education. I have read and understand the Statement of Principles regarding Catholic Education.

# Signature Date

**Application Process**

Please email to [principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@mcararat.catholic.edu.au)

You application should include:

1. A brief cover letter of application to the Principal of Marian College outlining:

- The reasons for your application;

- Your suitability for the role;

- Your response to the specific school needs

(This should be no more than one page long).

2. Additional information - Resume

Please include the following details:

* + Your personal details
  + Education – Tertiary level qualifications and any current tertiary study
  + Relevant training and courses/qualifications
  + Employment record
  + School Leadership positions if applicable
  + VIT Registration
  + Three nominated referees

3. Completed ‘Application for Employment’ form.