



# Principal

SEARCH PROSPECTUS



## SCHLARMAN ACADEMY

DANVILLE, IL

[schlarman.com](http://schlarman.com)

START DATE - JULY 2026





Schlarman Academy, a PK-12 Catholic school in Danville, IL, seeks its next Academy Principal, ready to keep the light at the “top of the hill” shining brightly for the next generation of Hilltoppers. The position is available for July 1, 2026.

## **ABOUT SCHLARMAN**

A staple of the Danville area for eighty years, Schlarman Academy comprises two campuses set one mile apart on North Vermillion Street. The South Campus, previously home to Vermilion County Catholic grade schools, encompasses Pre-Kindergarten through Grade Six. The North Campus accommodates Grades Seven through Grade Twelve in the original Schlarman High School building. The school was established in 1945 and named after Archbishop Joseph Schlarman, the third bishop of the Diocese of Peoria.



## **FAITH LIFE**

The school provides a holistic Catholic education centered upon the pillars of Family, Academics, Involvement, Tradition, and Honor (F.A.I.T.H.). As a Catholic school, Schlarman Academy values each person’s unique, God-given worth and dignity. Recognizing that God calls students and staff alike to their particular destiny, Schlarman provides an environment where God can be known and faith deepened. Schlarman’s programs and school culture are characterized by the Roman Catholic expression of Christian faith, human dignity, and responsible freedom. All are called to strive for excellence in education, formation, and personal development.







## ACADEMIC LIFE

Schlarman Academy offers a quality Catholic education and strives for academic excellence. The Academy's outstanding college-prep curriculum level includes honors, Advanced Placement, and dual enrollment college courses. Middle school students can earn high school credits. Many Schlarman Academy graduates receive academic and athletic scholarships for their post-secondary education.

Schlarman Academy is fully accredited by the AdvancEd Association and is a member of the National Catholic Education Association, Illinois Elementary School Association, and Illinois High School Association.



## THE OPPORTUNITY

The Principal functions as the school's Chief Executive Officer or Head of School and reports to the Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Peoria. The leadership team includes a Student Services Director, Advancement Lead, Athletic Director, and active and involved Chaplain. Following the successful appointment of the Principal, the school plans to add an additional Assistant Principal/Dean to support the Principal's leadership.

The school's teaching faculty is experienced, deeply committed to Schlarman, and invested in the school and the Danville area. Additionally, the alum community is loyal and positioned to support the school now and in the future.

The next Academy Principal will be able to build upon the school's strong traditions by working closely with the Catholic Diocese of Peoria and a close-knit community of families, faculty, and staff. Schlarman has experienced





recent leadership transitions and will benefit from a strong, stable, Catholic leader focused on renewing the school's reputation and role in the community. Candidates will find that the Schlarman community is eager for and receptive to the vision and efforts of its next leader. This leadership opportunity is not one to be missed by confident, relational Catholic leaders who wish to make their mark in a school community ready for its next stage of growth and accomplishment.

The search committee seeks candidates who are capable and comfortable providing strong organizational, operational, and faith leadership. Applicants must be professed and practicing Catholics and hold an advanced degree in education or related fields. The competitive salary range reflects the value of this mission-critical position.

Interested leaders are encouraged to contact Chris Keavy, lead search counsel, to schedule an informal, confidential conversation.

To apply, please submit the following materials as separate PDF attachments in one email to Chris Keavy at [ckeavy@partnersinmission.com](mailto:ckeavy@partnersinmission.com).

- Cover letter that aligns your experiences and skills with the school's current needs as you understand them.
- Current resume with all appropriate dates included.
- Statement of Catholic educational philosophy.
- Pastor's letter indicating that you are an active practicing Catholic.
- List of three references with names, physical addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses. No references will be contacted without your knowledge and approval.





## ABOUT THE AREA

The Danville area offers an affordable cost of living, a strong sense of community, and numerous parks and recreational areas ideal for outdoor pursuits. Danville's overall livability score is above average, and while it's a smaller city, it offers a suburban feel without the hustle and bustle of larger urban areas.

Located only 30 miles from the University of Illinois, Danville is near the heart of Big 10 country. Catching a football game at Memorial Stadium or cheering on the basketball team at State Farm Center can become regular weekend activities. The Krannert Center for the Performing Arts also hosts world-class concerts, theater productions, and dance performances.



***Assemble all of the application materials in one email to:***

Chris Keavy, Partner  
Partners in Mission Search Solutions  
ckeavy@partnersinmission.com  
508-737-9154 (Cell)  
<https://partnersinmission.com/>



<https://partnersinmission.com/>