



Director of Athletics Search

Columbus Academy

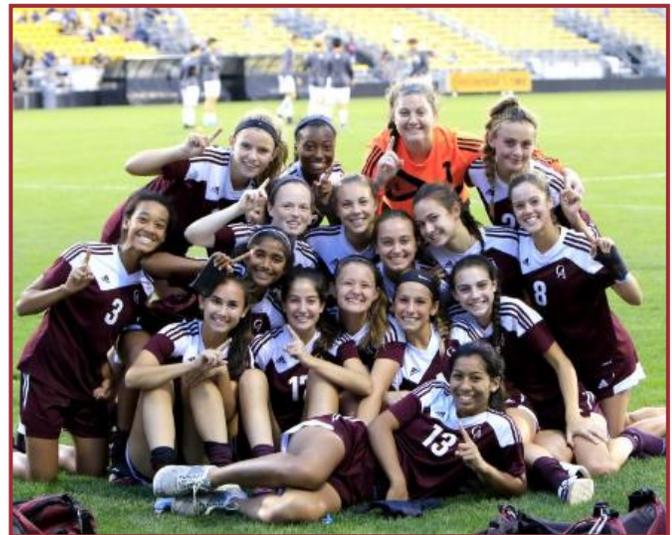
Columbus Ohio

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OUR SCHOOL

Columbus Academy is one of the premier Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 12 co-educational country day schools in the United States. Academy provides students from central Ohio with an exceptional academic education and a wide array of extracurricular opportunities.

Academy has an incredible commitment to character and ethics which is represented throughout the campus within the entire school. Students engage with a carefully crafted curriculum that invites learners at every age to both challenge and mastery. Relationships between teachers and students is critical here. Academy, since its beginning, has cultivated experienced faculty and staff who are dedicated to fostering compassion and integrity while rewarding effort and accomplishment among the students who they teach, lead and coach. Academy is alive with activity, challenge, and happiness.



To learn more about
Columbus Academy:
www.columbusacademy.org



MISSION

Columbus Academy, an independent co-educational college preparatory school, enriches its academic tradition of excellence by valuing a broad diversity of students as it seeks to develop the complete person—mind, body, and character. Academy rewards rigorous effort and accomplishment, fosters compassion, respect and moral courage and insists on integrity, fair play and community service. Columbus Academy strives to develop and sustain a community of thoughtful, responsible, capable, and confident citizens eager to engage in a pluralistic and ever-changing world.

Athletic Program

Academy fields 22 varsity sports and over 60 teams. Recently, 15-20% of Academy graduates went on to play college sports.

Since the year 2000, Academy athletic teams have won 19 state championships.



CAMPUS

Columbus Academy has a gorgeous 231-acre campus located just a few miles west of Columbus, Ohio. Beautiful athletic facilities, both indoor and out, along with wooded trails surround the campus. Academy's strategic vision values common space, reflective thought, creativity, artistry, athletic performance, the natural environment, a global outlook, and college preparation. The campus and facilities give life to that vision. Academy's campus is like none other in the region. Its design supports spontaneous learning, community building, and a healthy lifestyle in a pluralistic and ever-changing world.



CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Columbus Academy has a vibrant sense of community that permeates throughout the entire school. Faculty and staff are extremely dedicated to their work and care deeply about the students, parents, and each other. The position of Director of Athletics is critical to the vitality and success of the institution. The next director enters a program that has been led very ably for the past 20+ years by the current Director of Athletics who is retiring after the 2018-2019 school year. While the program is in excellent shape, challenges remain and opportunities for further growth and improvement that will present themselves to the next Director of Athletics include the following:

- Build and expand a Middle School athletic program that mirrors the high school's program.
- The next director must continue to lead with high integrity, ambition and energy while being extraordinarily visible throughout the entire program.
- Like many independent schools, Columbus Academy is requiring the use of coaches who work outside Academy. Recruiting and mentoring coaches is highly critical to the success of this position.
- Academy's athletic facilities are extensive and beautiful. Facility management is a critically important piece to this position.
- Columbus Academy is one of the leading academic institutions in the Midwest. The Director of Athletics must respect this and lead a program driving athletic success and fulfillment while partnering with academic leadership.
- Building a vision: The future of the Athletic Department at Columbus Academy is vital to this position. Very strong people skills, collaboration and partnering with internal and external constituencies is important. Keep in mind that Academy is within a very short driving distance of one of the top collegiate athletic programs in the world.

THE CANDIDATE

Columbus Academy seeks an extraordinary leader, one who embodies the values and virtues of the school, and possesses interpersonal and leadership skills for the Director of Athletics in athletic management, has strong management skills, and values an independent school culture.

A warm presence and a commitment to engaging with both coaches and students as both a role model and an interested and supportive educator must be evident. This is a community where parents and alumni are actively involved and want to be true partners with the Athletic Department. The ideal Director of Athletics for Columbus Academy will have strategic and financial acumen, past athletic coaching experience, possess a high degree of professionalism, and bring joy and passion to work every day.

**Application Process**

Interested candidates should send (as one PDF):
a current resume, letter of interest, and personal statement to:
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John Farber, Resource Group 175

