



## **Mid-Atlantic Community Ministry Openings**

### **Featured Ministry Position: Executive Director Location: Mercy Education System of the Americas**

The executive director implements the mission and purpose of the Mercy Education System of the Americas (MESA), which is the corporate sponsor of 40 institutions and 20 member institutions of secondary and elementary education located throughout the lower 48 states of the United States of America, Argentina, Belize, Guam, Honduras, Jamaica and Philippines. This individual is responsible for planning, developing and coordinating programs and activities that will strengthen sponsorship, governance, Mercy mission and foster collaboration among the member institutions within MESA.

Additional responsibilities include:

- Collaborating with the MESA Board in developing the direction and strategic plan
- Serving as spokesperson and advocate for MESA, and communicating regularly with MESA member institutions, the MESA Board, the Institute Leadership Team of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas and the appropriate ecclesial authorities
- Interacting with leaders in Catholic education and at educational professional associations
- Providing leadership to institutional constituencies in the identification, development, promotion and management of collaborative programs and services
- Implementing the Mercy charism accreditation process and developing a structure for governance and mission accountability for the member institutions of MESA
- Monitoring issues, developments and trends of importance relative to the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas and their Critical Concerns within MESA member institutions
- Managing financial resources for MESA programs and services and seeking funding for the support of these programs

Qualifications:

- Master's degree required
- Roman Catholic
- Experience in secondary or elementary education administration
- Demonstrated sensitivity to and knowledge of cultural differences; sensitivity to the diversity of institutions and sponsored Mercy schools and to the impact of decisions upon other people and organizations
- Willing and able to travel to Mercy schools and attend national meetings
- Ability to work with various constituents (i.e., civic, community, vendors, consultants, religious community members, co-workers, etc.)
- Experience in facilitating multi-lingual communications and gatherings
- Skill and familiarity with using and implementing current technology resources within MESA (i.e., videoconferencing, podcasting, webinars, etc.).
- Ability to work with a complex system based within the USA

Send applications and expressions of interest accompanied by a resume and the names of five references to [MESAEXDIR@sistersofmercy.org](mailto:MESAEXDIR@sistersofmercy.org).