Southern Teachers is assisting St. Mary’s School with its search for a Dean of Academic Innovation charged with creating an academic program whose foundation is focused on how girls learn best. Embracing a philosophy of “Girl Centered/Girl Led,” the Dean of Academic Innovation will be responsible for ensuring and enhancing the college preparatory program’s expectations by going beyond the traditional and collaborating within the school and in the community to deliver the unexpected.

Reporting to the Assistant Head of School, the Dean of Academic Innovation will partner with administrators and faculty to integrate the school’s ten core competencies across the academic program, applying current research on girls’ education to real world scenarios with a focus on interdisciplinary and global issues and the integration of technology to enhance learning. He or she will oversee the academic program, co-curricular activities, class schedules, academic advising, and the academic use of technology, as well as the Academic Leadership Team, the Director of Library Services, the Director of Educational Technology, the Director of Faculty Learning and Development, and the Registrar. The Dean of Academic Innovation will supervise and evaluate the faculty and oversee their professional growth plans; be a strong presence in all classrooms; engage frequently with the parent community; and teach one class in his or her content area if appropriate.

Highly qualified candidates will be collaborative, creative, and inquisitive with proven experience building and leading academic teams and programs and in using curriculum design. They will be knowledgeable about current pedagogies and instructional technologies; enthusiastic about exploring technological partnerships; and skilled with diplomacy and negotiation. The Dean will be a humble listener and an effective communicator with a good sense of humor and the courage to take risks. She or he will be gifted in strategic, long-range institutional envisioning and ready to take initiative. Candidates must have at least five years of classroom teaching or equivalent education experience. Candidates with advanced degrees are preferred. Duties include some weekend and evening responsibilities. As such, the Dean can enjoy being a part of a close-knit residential faculty community living on campus and working with the school’s boarding students.

Saint Mary’s School is an independent, Episcopal, college-preparatory, boarding and day school for girls in grades nine through twelve. The fourth oldest girls’ boarding and day school in the country, the school is located on a beautiful 23-acre campus within walking distance to many restaurants and attractions in downtown Raleigh. The Raleigh-Durham area is ranked as one of the best places to live in the United States by US News & World Report.

To apply, please complete the online Application to become a Southern Teachers Candidate and submit a cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for this position, which begins in July 2022.