**Administrator Interview Questions**

Students

1. What are the attributes of a good leader?
2. How do you go about creating and nurturing a safe, supportive, encouraging school environment?
3. Why did you apply for this position?
4. How would you describe your leadership style?
5. What are the traits of an effective principal?
6. What school improvement intiatives have you been responsible for implementing? Tell us how you planned and executed the most important of these.
7. As a new principal in a school, how would you go about building relationships of trust and collaboration with staff, parents, and students?
8. What are the most important functions of a high school principal as they pertain to students? (Please explain.)
9. Schools tend to take on personalities of their own that are generally influenced by the leadership style of the building principal. Based on this, what would \_\_\_\_\_ School look like if you were named principal?
10. What is student-centered instruction and how would you work with teachers to make classrooms more student-centered?
11. How do you recognize students for their achievements?
12. How do you get involved with the students? How visible will you be during the school day and at school events? (please provide examples)
13. What experiences have you had in working with low income and “at risk” students?
14. “At risk” is a term that is used frequently by educators to describe a targeted segment of the total school population. Please discuss with us your interpretation of this group of students.
15. What experiences have you had in working with gifted students?
16. What discipline standards or procedures have you found to be effective when dealing with students?
17. What role should technology play in high school and how can it support teaching and learning?
18. How do you go about evaluating programs at the high school. If you had to make cuts in the budget how would you decide what programs are effective and which should be reconsidered?
19. What experience do you have implementing and leading a one-to-one technology initiative? Describe your experience.
20. What is the Principal’s role in the improvement of student discipline?
21. Should students at the middle school level be involved in the governance of the school? If so, why? If not, why?
22. How do you feel about the issue of extracurricular policy covering “all” co-curricular areas including band, vocational, homecoming & prom?
23. As a new principal in a school, how would you go about building relationships of trust and collaboration with students?
24. Middle schools are traditionally grouped into teams or communities of students and teachers. What are the benefits of such a grouping? What are the disadvantages?
25. What factors are critical considerations regarding how you would evaluate student scheduling decisions?
26. Can you give us 3 words that will best describe you as a principal.
27. What strategies have you used to encourage student participation in school activities?
28. What three words would your current students use to describe you?
29. How important is it for a school principal to be present at school events? How would you handle a situation where a student yells inappropriate things at a ball game?
30. What benefits from social media have influenced schools? How have you managed the distractions with the benefits in regards to social media?
31. What ideas do you have to help eliminate bullying that may occur in a school?
32. What role should technology play in an elementary school and how can it support teaching and learning?
33. What do you believe are the most important functions of a principal/an assistant principal as they pertain to students? (Please explain.)
34. What role do you feel extracurricular and co-curricular activities have in the high school experience?
35. What role do you think technology and the media play in a high school?
36. What are your views on a school dress code? How do you enforce it?