



## Head Search Update From: Board Chair Jon Nickens

Dear Athenian Community,

Last week, the Head Search Committee had the pleasure of welcoming our search partners, [Staci Williams Seeley](#) and [Christopher Bernard](#), to campus to learn more about Athenian and gather feedback on areas of focus and opportunities for the next Head of School. The information gathered will play a key role in shaping the next phase of the search process, including the development of a Position Statement, a document that will be used to help attract our ideal candidates.

If you did not have the opportunity to meet with our partners from [Diversified Search Group | Storbeck Search \(Storbeck\)](#), or if you'd like to share additional input, you are invited to complete [this](#) online survey which will be open until Wednesday, November 6. We will not be attributing names with survey responses. Information from this survey will help to inform the creation of the Position Statement, ensuring it captures the qualities we value in our future Head of School.

Following their visit, Staci and Chris shared how much they enjoyed getting to know us better and noted their time with students and faculty reinforced what makes an Athenian education unique, especially in cultivating student voice.

We will continue to keep the Athenian community updated on the search process and are planning to launch our search webpage in November. In the meantime, [here](#) is our early October update which includes information about the Search Committee and timeline.

With appreciation,

Jon Nickens  
Board Chair  
Co-chair of the Search Committee

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