



## Head Search Update From: Board Chair Jon Nickens

Dear Athenian Community,

Thank you to those who have participated in the search process thus far. Your input has helped shape the position statement and will continue to guide the Search Committee's work as we enter the next phase of the process.

Last week, the Search Committee met to review an impressive roster of candidates and will conduct initial interviews later this month after which we will invite finalists to campus in late February.

I wanted to take this opportunity to share that, while we would have been thrilled if Interim Head Quincy McLaughlin was available for consideration for the permanent role, she will be returning east to be with her family at the end of her interim headship. We are incredibly grateful for Quincy's outstanding, collaborative, and future-focused leadership, and for her stewardship of the school through two Head of School transitions. She joins us in having terrific confidence that the head of school search process will yield yet another talented school leader.

Again, we are fortunate to have significant and far-reaching interest in the permanent Head of School position and look forward to introducing finalists to the community very soon. During the upcoming campus visits, the finalists will spend time with students and the professional community, as well as our broader community.

As a reminder, we plan to announce Athenian's next Head of School this spring. To see prior search updates and information, visit our [search page here](#). As we get closer to the visit dates we will send more information on the opportunities to participate.

With appreciation,

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