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The search and selection process is initiated when there is a school president or principal vacancy. In parochial schools, the pastor informs the Superintendent of Catholic Schools. Applicants must have a Letter of Approval from the Superintendent of Catholic Schools who is responsible for verifying their eligibility.

The pastor, along with the superintendent then appoints and collaborates with the Search Committee in screening and interviewing eligible applicants. The Search Committee will be comprised of, at a minimum, the Secretariat for Education and Formation, the superintendent, the pastor and a representation of the faculty/staff, parish and parents.

The pastor hires the principal after the Bishop has approved the recommended candidate.

In interparochial or high schools that are not part of a parish, the Superintendent of Catholic Schools consults with the local school advisory council in appointing a Search Committee. The superintendent serves as the Bishop's designee in facilitating the process and presents the name of the most highly recommended candidate to the Bishop for final approval.

In schools where there is a president, the president, in collaboration with the superintendent, is responsible for appointing and collaborating with a search committee and submitting a recommended candidate to the Bishop for approval.