



Position: Cheerleading Coach

Reports to: Athletic Director

About St. Mary's Academy

St. Mary's Academy (SMA) is a Catholic High School for young women, founded and sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Together with the students' families, the administration, faculty and staff are committed to forming a Christian community that nurtures and challenges each young woman to attain her full potential. This effort is consistently characterized by respect for the individual, service to the "dear neighbor," academic excellence; preparation for higher education and the empowerment of young women who are inspired to take their places in an ever-changing world. This education promotes the formation and integral development of young women from various backgrounds and cultures and provides opportunities for the development of contemporary leadership while preserving the spirit that has made St. Mary's Academy unique.

Job Summary

As a member of St. Mary's Academy faculty, you will demonstrate a commitment to SMA mission and vision expressed through the CSJ charism of service to the dear neighbor. The role of the Cheerleading Coach is to teach the cheerleading squad to promote school spirit and encouragement of athletic teams. St. Mary's Academy sees the role of the Cheerleading Coach as being someone who, in addition to having a high level of knowledge in coaching the sport of cheerleading, can teach and model all the aspects of the CSJ charisms. Ideally it will be someone who can coach our young women in a highly competitive sport yet help them keep a balance in all aspects of their lives, spiritually, socially, mentally and physically. A cheerleader promotes school spirit, school pride, and encourages the members of the athletic teams. Their involvement and enthusiasm in the SMA community helps other students feel a part of the community. Promoting positive teamwork, positive interactions amongst teammates, modeling sportsmanship and fan involvement at games and pep assemblies are viewed as important aspects of being a cheerleader. The Head Cheerleading Coach reports directly to the Athletic Director.

Qualifications:

- Previous coaching experience, preferably at the high school level.
- Strong understanding of cheerleading techniques, choreography, and safety protocols.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to motivate and inspire student-athletes.
- Knowledge of safety protocols and commitment to the well-being of team members.
- Flexibility to work evenings, and weekends, and attend competitions as needed.
- Certification in CPR and First Aid is desirable.

Interested candidates should submit a resume to mfinn@smabelles.org.