COMPETENCY

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Communication Skills		Priority	
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
listen effectively			
respond clearly and directly (both orally and in writing)			
write and speak appropriately for each situation			
• prepare clear and concise memos/notes, instructions, etc.			
• interpret instructions (both oral and written)			
• describe or explain written information, concepts, or instructions (both oral and written)			

Fiscal Management

The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
understand the current economic picture			
understand the budget and staffing process			
• identify and prioritize needs (both human and physical) as they relate to the school plan			
 involve appropriate people in decision making (staff, students, school council, the community) 			
• organize and administer the school budget process, in consultation with the school council			
 understand the staffing process (e.g., collective agreements, technical aspects, legal requirements) 			
 ensure that school buildings meet all the requirements set out in health and safety legislation 			

Group Process

The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 establish goals related to the school's action plan 			
 work collaboratively with a variety of individuals, including school staff, parents, students, and the community 			
share leadership responsibilities			
 recognize his or her strengths and limitations and those of others 			
• gain the confidence and trust of others			
be sensitive to the feelings of others			
communicate effectively			
share the decision-making process, while recognizing any legal limitations			
manage conflict effectively			
provide recognition and celebrate success			
 evaluate, review, and validate as required 			

Knowledge of the Change Process

The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 identify a need for change 			
 conduct a gap analysis – Where are we? Where do we want to go? How will we get there? How will we know when we have arrived? 			
build allies and support			
develop a plan of action			

Knowledge of the Change Process (cont.)		Priority	
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
empower others			
deal with conflicts/obstacles			
 provide guidance, resources, and encouragement 			
 recognize that people are at different stages in the change process 			
 recognize that time is an important factor 			
Leadership Awareness	1 II - Ia	Madium	
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
interpret board and ministry policy			
• understand system responsibilities as they relate to the school			<u> </u>
apply current educational research			
• manage the development of a school plan, balancing school, board, and ministry objectives			
recognize when a group needs direction			
be accountable for the objectives contained in the school plan			
Leadership Behaviour			
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
think holistically			
understand the interrelatedness of leadership behaviours			
• make decisions in the context of the "big picture" (i.e., the candidate should have vision)			
• put processes, teams, and procedures in place that reinforce the vision			
• understand the implications of day-to-day decisions for the school plan			
clarify and communicate policy			
manage the implementation and evaluation of the school plan			
involve others in problem solving			
• provide guidance to others to help them achieve shared goals			
• provide direction that is appropriate to the tasks and/or activities being undertaken			
monitor and evaluate progress			
Organization Management			
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 set and manage priorities 			
• plan and supervise activities			
establish schedules and timelines			
coordinate resources			
manage crises while maintaining efficiency and effectiveness			
Personal Growth			
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
identify his or her own strengths and weaknesses			
develop a personal growth plan			
seek evaluative data from others			
 stay current through professional reading and participation in staff-development opportunities 			

Personal Growth (cont.)		Priority	
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 seek involvement on school, area, and system committees 			
• take risks			
• promote, express, communicate, and model personal and educational values and beliefs			
 focus on keeping healthy (e.g., by delegating and prioritizing) 			

Personnel Management

The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 identify steps in the growth and development process 			
• collect appropriate data			
evaluate objectively			
communicate effectively (both orally and in writing)			
 negotiate an ongoing growth plan and follow-up review 			
• prescribe relevant assistance			
work within current operating procedures			
 become informed about the duties of employees being evaluated 			
develop effective interviewing skills			

Program Management

The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 identify and describe the procedures of a sound program implementation plan 			
 identify the major obstacles to successful program implementation 			
 identify the role of key people in program implementation 			
develop a comprehensive staff development program			
identify and describe the procedures of program evaluation			
• interpret program review data			
draw appropriate conclusions from program review data			
make appropriate recommendations			
develop a plan of action			
allocate resources			
understand ministry and board curriculum policy			

Political Management

The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
 recognize the role of government in setting education policy 			
• identify significant partners (parents, community, staff, council chair, principals)			
• understand current issues			
communicate appropriately with school board trustees			
demonstrate fiscal accountability and responsibility			
• work within the mandate defined by legislation (e.g., the Education Act and its regulations)			
 understand the implications of collective agreements, human rights legislation, and the Education Act 			
 identify and communicate effectively with the public (e.g., parents, the media, trustees, community groups) 			

Problem Solving			
The ideal candidate should have the ability to:	High	Medium	Low
identify problems and their relative importance			
collect pertinent information			
identify key personnel			
• generate possible solutions			
evaluate alternatives in terms of organizational goals			
• reach consensus			
• make a clear decision			
• support the decision with a rationale			
be sensitive to the needs of the people involved			