

LAKEHILL PREPARATORY SCHOOL CANDIDATE PROFILE

Arthur (Art) N. Hall

With strong experience at four excellent independent schools, Harvard-Westlake School, Greenhill School, Friends' Central School, and Tower Hill School, Art Hall has had extensive engagement in school life. Among his posts, he has been a computer science, American literature, and history teacher, girls' basketball coach, department chair, academic dean, honor council faculty advisor, a diversity coordinator, and an US division head, before becoming a MS division head and Assistant Head of School. He has risen through the ranks and gained substantive experience in all essential aspects of school leadership work along the way. Also, Mr. Hall has amassed an array of accomplishments as Assistant Head of School at Tower Hill. Now, he and his family feel both especially called to Lakehill and Dallas and he is prepared to head a school.

A three sport athlete and an Eagle Scout, Art Hall grew up in the Golden State in an Air Force family, his father serving for 26 years prior to his passing. He earned a B.A in Political Science and History from UCLA. He started his career in education as a way to be a role model for African American boys and has helped many go on to college and become outstanding men. Much of this good teaching took place while he was at Greenhill School for fifteen years where he was able to gain experience in the classroom, on the basketball courts, and in administration. While in Dallas, he earned his M. Ed. in Gifted and Talented Learning from SMU. He champions collaboration, leads by presence and involvement at all school events, and values connected relationships with faculty and staff. Regular conversations all around school are key to him. True to his calling, Mr. Hall has naturally and generously led by role model and education in enhancing student awareness of inclusive behavior. He is working now with Tower Hill's Director of Social Justice to help teachers to build understanding and to develop additions to curriculum to support their diversity, equity, and inclusion goals. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he has served on the Tower Hill Governing Team and Academic Team, tasked with making sure appropriate lines of communication are being delivered to the community about school policy and setting teaching standards for distance learning instruction to ensure consistency across all three divisions. He shared that "during a crisis a leader must exude calm when all others might lean into a panic. The leader must hold on tight to the vision of success, but *never* be afraid to alter the plan for the good of the school."

Mr. Hall is married to Paula, who teaches 3rd Grade at Tower Hill. They have four children: a daughter who is in the 7th grade; a daughter who is in the 6th grade; a son who teaches in Garland, Texas IDS and is soon to be married; and a son who sadly passed away in 2019 at the age of 23. Texas holds many fond memories for him and his family. He is very familiar with Lakehill and he believes the School presents a chance for his family to embrace his first headship, a long-sought goal, in a family friendly community with a solid institutional standing in Dallas.