

Title: Controller

Department: Business Office

Reports to: CFO		General Status: Full time
Job Status: Full time	FLSA Status: Exempt	Date Revised: December 2024

POSITION SUMMARY:

This position directly reports to the CFO and is responsible for oversight of all finance, accounting and reporting activities. The Controller will lead all day-to-day finance operations of a budget of \$20 million including functional responsibility over accounting, accounts payable, accounts receivable and restricted funds administration. The Controller will also review the bi-monthly payroll. The Controller will work closely with program/department leaders and their staff, not only to educate them regarding finance and accounting procedures but also to explore how the finance function can support program operations. This role requires a proactive, hands-on strategic thinker who will own, in partnership with the CFO, the responsibility for finance and other operational functions beyond finance such as insurance and risk management and auxiliary operations. This role requires a range of financial, accounting and administrative/organizational skill levels, from routine monthly tasks and reconciliations to complex analysis and special projects. This position requires strong interpersonal and communication skills; experience in effectively communicating key data, including presentations to senior management, board or other outside partners and the ability to balance day to day priorities with long-term goals and projects.

PRINCIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Finance and Accounting Leadership

- Oversees/responsible for all accounts, ledgers, and reporting systems ensuring compliance with appropriate GAAP standards and regulatory requirements; this includes preparing and/or reviewing monthly reconciliations, journal entries, bi-monthly payroll, 403b reconciliation and remittance, maintaining fixed asset inventory
- Guides financial decisions by establishing, monitoring, and enforcing financial policies, internal controls, procedures and reporting system
- Prepares and presents financial reports in an accurate and timely manner (monthly, quarterly, annually)
- Strategically analyzes financial data; identifies trends and keeps apprised of issues and trends particular to independent schools; supports the CFO in engaging the board's audit and finance committees around issues and trends in financial operating models and delivery
- Leads the annual budgeting and planning process; works with individuals at all levels to create budgets
 as well as leads ongoing review and comparison to actual results with a view to achieving budget
 objectives; identifies, explains, and corrects variances as appropriate
- Provides leadership in strengthening internal communications with staff at all levels throughout the organization
- Complies with federal, state, and local legal requirements by studying existing and new legislation, anticipating future legislation, enforcing adherence to requirements, filing financial reports, and advising management on needed actions

- Manages external audits and form 990 preparation and reporting
- Ensures proper categorization and reporting of restricted funds
- Manages organizational cash flow forecasting
- Manages overall organization and retention of business office documents and files such as vendor contracts, certificates of insurance, leases, etc.
- Manages annual insurance renewals and ongoing insurance inquiries
- Maintains confidentiality at all times

Team Leadership Skills

- Leverages strengths of the current business office team members, helps to clarify roles and responsibilities and develops and implements training programs in order to maximize and reach optimal individual and organizational goals
- Commitment to recruiting, mentoring, training, and retaining a diverse team; the foresight and ability to delegate accordingly
- Fosters and promotes a positive and supportive work environment

Bachelor's Degree in Accounting, Finance or related discipline required	Not-for-Profit experience preferred Independent School experience preferred Minimum 10 years' experience in accounting/finance
Competencies:	Licenses and Certifications:
 Accounting research and analysis 	CPA License required
 Skilled at learning new systems and technology 	
Specialized Skills and Knowledge:	
"Super-user" in Excel required	
Blackbaud experience preferred	

THE GALLOWAY SCHOOL MISSION

The Galloway School is a community where learning is joyful, individuals are valued, and self-discovery is encouraged. Galloway students confidently embrace challenges while developing the knowledge, skills, and cultural competence to thrive as enlightened contributors in their chosen pathways.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION STATEMENT:

At The Galloway School, diversity, equity, and inclusion are integral parts of our mission, history, culture, and identity. The members of the school value and affirm the individuality of each person in our community. We truly commit to having a diverse community and intentionally supporting these efforts through our policies, curricula, programming, and resources. The Galloway School continuously examines and renews our commitment to fostering a community that welcomes and respects each individual.