

Director of Development

Ridley College

On the ecologically rich and picturesque Niagara Escarpment, in the welcoming lakeside city of St. Catharines, sits Ridley College's charming 108-acre campus. It is an ideal setting for family, career, and leisure.

Established in 1889, Ridley College has graduated men and women who have led flourishing lives and made significant contributions to their communities. Ridley has maintained a long-standing and global reputation of excellence in academics, athletics, the arts and more. Behind these standards is the constant reminder of the needs of others in the school's motto: *Terar Dum Prosim* (May I be Consumed in Service). For the past 130 years, Ridley's vision and approach to learning has produced influential leaders in a wide variety of fields. Today, their student body includes some of the most brilliant young minds from around the globe.

With more than 700 students from 60 countries, the largest boarding programme in Ontario and the third largest in Canada, Ridley College is a truly international, co-educational, day and boarding school of the world that prepares students for the world. Ridley's Lower School offers Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8, its Upper School consists of Grade 9 to 12 and Ridley graduates attend some of the top universities and colleges around the world. Ridley is the only co-educational independent boarding school in Canada and one of only three in North America authorized to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) continuum programme across all grades. Ridley's active, global community of 8,000 alumni share a deep connection to each other and to the school thanks to the enriching learning and life-shaping experiences they have received from one of the top independent schools in the nation. They are loyal donors who appreciate the importance of their gifts to the future prosperity of the school.

Reporting to the Headmaster, Ridley College is seeking a Director of Development to play a significant role in helping to meet and exceed its ambitious fundraising goals.

As Director of Development you will lead a skilled and committed Development team in the preparation, implementation and management of a comprehensive development strategy program and plan for the school. This includes constituent giving, major gifts, planned giving, endowments, and capital campaigns, to support the strategic direction of the school. Additionally, you will lead all fundraising, public/community relations, and alumni activities related to the advancement strategy.

As the ideal candidate, you are an engaging visionary with strong strategic and conceptual fundraising skills. You are respected by peers and staff as a compelling communicator, a trusted and sought out partner and a highly effective motivator. Your capacity and commitment to drive fundraising/development growth in times of economic pressure and the flexibility and resilience to act as a public face for the school with current and prospective donors will be highly valued. As an experienced

fundraising/development executive, you are known to set clear priorities, identify, coach and develop exceptional talent and rally your teams around a shared vision. You have a degree from a recognized post-secondary institution. Possessing a CFRE designation would be considered an asset.

To apply for this position, please submit your application and related materials to critch@boyden.com and **state the title of the position in the subject line of your e-mail.**

We thank all applicants for their interest, however only those under consideration for the role will be contacted.