

## Benefits of Membership

### Community Connections

- Engagement with leading educators in the capital region who share a collective goal of advancing non-profit independent schools
- Strong and meaningful connections not available through larger national and regional organizations

### Networking and Professional Development Programs and Events

- Local, in-person networking and professional development events annually for school leaders and educators
- Annual overnight conference and retreat for school heads at easily accessible venue
- Programs for school trustees, division leaders, admission professionals, advancement professionals, business officers, and other school leaders addressing topics such as leadership, governance, diversity, marketing and other timely topics in education and school management

### Advocacy for Schools

- Advocacy on behalf of our schools with local government decision-makers, as well as representation of school interests in response to issues critical to school operations
- Updates about significant local and national legislative and regulatory developments

### Data Collection and Analysis

- Tailored local, regional and national data benchmarking capabilities and custom reporting to assist with tuition, budget and staffing decisions through the use of NAIS's Data Analysis for School Leadership (DASL) platform

### Reduction in Costs of School Operations

- Cost savings through participation in the *Cherry Blossom* risk management insurance consortium and the AISGW/AIMS Multiple Employer Retirement Plan, as well as access for AISGW member schools to AIMS health plan.
- Tuition discount for all AISGW faculty and staff at American University's School of Education

## **Members-Only Career Center**

- Members-only career center that allows member schools to post job openings and career-seekers to post resumes and cover letters

## **Enhanced Visibility**

- Your school listed on the AISGW website, an important resource about independent schools in the greater Washington, DC area
- Platform of posting/advertising professional development and community events hosted by member schools

## **Community Listserv**

- Access to almost 30 communication listservs covering a broad and flexible set of constituencies among member schools Platform of posting/advertising professional development and community events hosted by member schools
- Ability to initiate and participate in candid and informative discussions about a wide range of school-related issues

## **Collaborative Projects and Resources**

- Opportunity to participate in and have access to collaborative projects and resources such as the Common Recommendation Form for admission and the development of association best practices