To: University of Chicago Laboratory Schools Community  
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Subject: Update on Lab Director Search

We are pleased to report that the Lab Search Advisory Committee (SAC) is making good progress toward identifying the next director of Lab.

The SAC has been impressed by the quality of the candidates who have expressed interest in the position throughout the director search process. The excellent and diverse candidate pool reflects a broad range of professional backgrounds, including experience in secondary education, higher education, and the private sector. During our initial conversations, candidates emphasized that they are strongly attracted to the quality of Lab’s students, faculty, and staff and to the tremendous opportunity this position represents.

After a thorough review, the SAC has selected candidates for the first round of interviews and will hold second-round interviews during winter quarter. Once Lab director finalists are selected in mid-winter quarter, it is our hope that members of the Lab community will have a chance to meet with them, either virtually or in-person conditions permitting. The SAC’s work continues to be informed by advice from the Lab community, and your input has greatly contributed to the SAC’s consideration of candidates. We will write again early next year to keep you updated on the director search process. In the meantime, we encourage you to continue to provide input by writing to LabSearch2020@uchicago.edu.