

General Openers:

1. Tell us about yourself.
2. Why do you want to be principal of this School?
3. How would you express your understanding of what our school stands for and how does this fit with your personal educational philosophy?
4. What do you think is the most important task of the teacher or principal?
5. What teaching pedagogy do you subscribe to?

Administrative Skills:

6. What do you consider to be your greatest contribution to the schools you have worked in, in light of that, what do you feel you can bring to our school?
7. We have several opportunities for leadership in our school. One of them is How would you lead this area? What critical issues can you foresee?
8. What has been your experience in curriculum and design? How will you approach this element at our school?
9. What is the role of technology in education?
10. Discuss the balance between academics, athletics, the arts, and other extra-curricular activities.
11. In what ways are you a visionary?
12. Describe your knowledge of finance and experience in budgeting.
13. What are your public relations skills and experiences?

Relations with Students:

14. How do you envision the principal relating to the students?
15. What is the principal's role in helping students develop character and virtue?
16. What is the role of discipline in a school? Tell us about a difficult discipline situation you have dealt with.
17. What is your expectation of student conduct and demeanor?

Relations with Faculty:

18. What are the most important ways that you will help teachers? How do you bring out excellence in others?
19. How would you approach staff morale?
20. What do you consider to be the characteristics of an excellent teacher?
21. How would you score yourself as a teacher given your standards?
22. A teacher does not measure up to expectations how do you address the situation? What process would you follow?
23. When you have an important decision to make, how do you make it?
24. How do you get a feel for what teachers or students are thinking?
25. How do you solicit and process evaluation of your performance?

Relations with Parents:

26. What has been your experience with parental involvement in schools?
27. What should the ideal be? How would you go about attaining that ideal?
28. In what ways can the school help fulfill the parents' role as primary educators?