



Dear NOLS community,

Happy June! It's exciting to think of gear rooms humming and all the summer NOLS students and instructors packing up to head into the field.

We would like to provide you with an update on the NOLS presidential search. As a first step in the search process, we have been listening to you and soliciting your input into the search. We are so thankful for the tremendous participation of so many of you. During the past month, the Search Committee and its partners from Spencer Stuart had more than 20 conversations with 140 people including instructors, staff, board members and advisory council member. In addition, nearly 1,000 of you completed the survey, providing valuable information about your aspirations for NOLS and thoughts about the next leader. Through your comments we are reminded daily of how passionate NOLSies are about the school's mission and how much you care about the future of NOLS.

Your feedback has been immensely helpful in crafting the [position statement](#) that we hope reflects the essence of the organization. This document will guide us as we speak with prospects about the opportunity. We have posted the Position Statement on the [NOLS Presidential Search web page](#) where you will find other key information about the search, including the members of the Search Committee and important documents. We plan to update the NOLS community regularly during the process and we will archive all communications on this site.

We will now turn our attention on developing a robust, diverse pool of candidates interested in leading our school. To that end, we encourage all of you to share your suggestions with us. We will look into all nominees suggested by members of the community. Please use [this link to the Search Committee email](#) to send nominations and your reasons for suggesting this person.

As a reminder, the Search Committee is charged with presenting a final slate of candidates to the NOLS Board of Trustees who will then appoint the next president.

We welcome your continued engagement in the process. We encourage you to use [this link to the Search Committee email](#) to send advice, suggestions, questions, comments and nominations. We look forward to hearing from you.

With deep gratitude for your ongoing commitment and dedication to NOLS,

Jane and Danielle

NOLS Presidential Search Page



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