Job Posting Middle School Social Studies Teacher Westlake Christian School Palm Harbor, Florida

Westlake Christian School, a National Blue Ribbon School and the premier private school in the northern Pinellas County, western Hillsborough, and southern Pasco County region, is seeking a highly motivated, engaged, and passionate Middle School Social Studies Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year due to an expansion of the division. The teacher will be joining an already robust and collaborative Socials Studies Department.

The ideal candidates will have the ability to articulate a Biblical worldview and consider themselves to be 21st Century educators who embrace current best practices. Candidates should possess a desire to grow within a professional learning community and be enthusiastic about teaching and learning. Candidates should exhibit a passion for teaching and working with children and uphold the highest standards of excellence professionally and personally. Candidates should also have a clear understanding of the developmental stages of middle school-aged students. Candidates should be willing to collaborate with staff members and families and be reflective practitioners.

Additional Selection Criteria for Prospective Social Studies Teachers

- Experienced in teaching middle school social studies
- Articulates knowledge of best practices in teaching social studies
- Proficient in integrating the Biblical worldview into instruction
- Proficient in the use and integration of technology in the classroom, including SMART Board Technology.
- Values differentiated instruction
- Articulates understanding of the unique developmental needs of middle school students
- Demonstrates strong written and verbal skills
- Knows and applies knowledge of current professional literature and best practices
- Evidences excellent verbal communication skills
- Exhibits strong problem-solving skills
- Shows skill and sensitivity in working with all members of the school community
- Willing to contribute regularly to school community activities
- Master's degree preferred
- Experienced teachers preferred

Westlake Christian School is accredited by the Florida Council of Independent Schools (FCIS), the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools/Cognia, and is a member of the Association of Christian Schools International.

Employment Package:

This position is a full-time, salaried, exempt position and compensation is competitive for the greater Tampa Bay area. Westlake offers a wide-range of benefits, including paid time off, medical insurance, life insurance, a retirement plan, on-going professional support and continuing education opportunities, tuition remission for enrolled children of school employees, year-round distribution of salary, and a unique, collaborative working environment.

For consideration, candidates should apply online at <u>Westlake Christian School Employment</u> and upload a cover letter and resume as part of the application.