Job Posting Middle School English 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 English Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. The teacher will be joining an already robust and collaborative English 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 English Teachers

- Experience in novel studies focused on critical thinking
- Experience in teaching the writing workshop approach
- 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.