Job Posting Middle School Campus Pastor 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 Campus Pastor for the 2025-2026 school year.

The ideal candidates will have the ability to articulate the Biblical worldview and be enthusiastic about fostering the spiritual growth of middle school students. Candidates should also have a clear understanding of the developmental stages of middle school-aged students and possess a deep understanding of how to effectively minister to and engage with this unique age group. Candidates should be willing to collaborate with staff members and families and be reflective practitioners.

The successful candidate will be an encouraging leader who is committed to inspiring and leading the next generation in their faith journey. The candidate should exhibit a passion for ministry and working with youth and uphold the highest standards of excellence professionally and personally.

Additional Selection Criteria:

- Experience in leading students to the saving knowledge of Jesus
- Ability to readily discuss the essentials of the faith
- Possesses a strong testimony that is easily articulated
- Evidence of strong leadership skills
- Demonstrates strong written and verbal communication skills
- Proficient in the use of technology
- 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
- Bachelor's degree required; Master's degree preferred
- Experience as a pastor or in student ministry preferred

Middle School Campus Pastor Responsibilities

The Middle School Campus Pastor works in collaboration with the Director of Spiritual Life, the Middle School Director, and the Head of School to oversee and support the spiritual life and growth of middle school students. The Middle School Campus Pastor adheres to and supports the Westlake Christian School Statement of Faith.

- Develop and Implement creative Chapels for Middle School Students
- Oversee the Middle School Small Group Program
- Plan and Develop the Middle School's Daily Devotions
- Create an Inviting Atmosphere that Fosters Spiritual Exploration and Growth
- Build Strong and Encouraging Relationships with Youth and their Families
- Lead and Train Teachers and Staff to Support the School's Ministry

Westlake Christian School is accredited by the Florida Council of Independent Schools (FCIS) and 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.