

Middle/Upper School Health & Wellness Education Teacher

The School: Founded in 1911, Columbus Academy is a coeducational college preparatory day school of over 1,100 students age 3 through grade 12 located on a 231-acre campus in Gahanna, Ohio. Student programs are organized into three divisions: Lower School (age 3-grade 5), Middle School (grades 6-8) and Upper School (grades 9-12). The school offers a vigorous academic program as part of its mission to educate the whole child – mind, body and character. Columbus Academy faculty and staff members are expected to be continuous learners in their fields, to engage in caring and cooperative partnerships with colleagues and parents, to have a demonstrated commitment to the values of equity and inclusion, and to help each student reach his or her full potential.

The Position: Columbus Academy seeks a full-time Middle/Upper School Health and Wellness Education Teacher with responsibilities to begin August 1, 2019.

Qualifications (preferred candidates will possess the following qualifications):

- Bachelor's degree or higher in health, physical education or a closely related field
- Passion for teaching and mentoring students
- Knowledge of varied pedagogy and trends in developmentally appropriate health and wellness education for students between the ages of 11-18
- Leadership qualities to inspire, motivate and develop students
- A reflective practitioner, committed to a continuous process of self-improvement and lifelong learning
- Enthusiasm, a positive sense of humor, self-confidence, and effective oral and written communication skills
- Demonstrated cultural awareness, including knowledge of themselves and the cultural lens they bring to interactions

Position Expectations (the individual selected to this position will be expected to carry out the following responsibilities):

- Teach in multiple grades with an awareness of the developmental needs of pre-adolescent and adolescent children
- Coordinate with counselors and other administrators to review and update health curriculum cross-divisionally
- Collaborate with departmental colleagues on schoolwide wellness initiatives, curriculum design and development
- Provide periodic updates to parents about student progress, via both written reports and in-person conferences
- Hold students accountable for Columbus Academy's standards of behavior
- Assume a share of supervisory responsibilities expected of all faculty members
- Work with others in the school community to support each student's emotional well-being
- Demonstrate positive leadership



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Physical Conditions (candidates must be able to manage the following conditions):

- Classroom environment
- Mobility around school buildings and on different floors (handicap accessible)
- Periodic need to move light furniture, hang visuals in classroom, carry objects (no more than 40 pounds), etc.
- Ability to manage a non-smoking environment

Legal Requirements: All Columbus Academy employees must pass required criminal records checks. Where appropriate, individuals will also be required to provide proof of academic credentials.

To Apply: Interested candidates should send cover letter, resume and supporting materials to: Melissa Soderberg, Head of School, Columbus Academy, 4300 Cherry Bottom Road, Gahanna, OH 43230, or headofschool@columbusacademy.org.

Columbus Academy believes strongly in the principles of diversity, equity and inclusion. We seek to identify and hire a greater number of faculty of color to serve as role models for all students. We strive to foster a diverse campus community, which recognizes the value of all persons regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability or socioeconomic background.