

Middle School Language Arts 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 diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging, and to help students reach their full potential.

The Position: Columbus Academy seeks a full-time Middle School Language Arts Teacher with responsibilities to begin in August 2023.

Qualifications (preferred candidates will possess the following qualifications):

- Bachelor's degree or higher in English or a closely related field
- Minimum of three years of teaching experience in middle school, preferably in English or language arts
- Passion for teaching middle school children
- Enthusiasm for the study of grammar, literature and writing
- Knowledge of varied pedagogy and trends in English/language arts instruction at the middle school level
- Leadership qualities to inspire and motivate 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
- Ability to lead or direct extracurricular activity or coach interscholastic sport, if desired

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

- Teach four to five sections of middle school language arts
- Serve as a student grade-level advisor to roughly 10 students; prepare to learn and implement middle school advisory curriculum
- Assume a share of supervisory responsibilities expected of all middle school faculty members
- Collaborate with grade-level and departmental colleagues on curriculum design and development

- Provide periodic updates to parents about student progress, via both written reports and in-person conferences
- Make use of technological resources, including the iPad and the school's online learning management site for classes (Google Classroom)
- Hold students accountable for Columbus Academy's standards of behavior
- Work with others in the school community to support each student's emotional wellbeing

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 the classroom, carry objects (no more than 40 pounds), etc.
- A non-smoking campus

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 apply online at <u>columbusacademy.org/apply</u>.

Columbus Academy believes strongly in the principles of diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging. 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.