



AMERICAN CLASSICAL ACADEMY

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Job Description: Co-Curricular Teacher

American Classical Academy Rutherford

2 Ingram Blvd, La Vergne, TN

About the School

American Classical Academy Rutherford (ACAR) is a tuition-free, public classical charter school located in La Vergne, TN. Opened in August 2024, ACAR serves students in grades K–7 and will grow one grade level per year until becoming a full K–12 institution. ACAR is part of the Barney Charter School Initiative of Hillsdale College, a national network of classical charter schools united by curriculum and purpose.

The mission of ACAR is to train the minds and develop the character of students through a content-rich classical education in the liberal arts and sciences, with instruction in moral character and civic virtue.

Position Overview

The Co-Curricular Teacher serves students across multiple grade levels by providing instruction in Music, Art, and when needed, Physical Education. This teacher rotates classes throughout the school day and is responsible for establishing these subjects as vital and living experiences in each student’s education.

The Co-Curricular Teacher is expected to understand and demonstrate effective student instruction and assessment to maximize educational achievement for all students while cultivating a classroom environment rooted in joy, order, wonder, and respect. As ACAR grows into a full K–12 institution, this role may expand to include future upper school responsibilities.

Responsibilities

Responsibilities of this role include, but are not limited to:

- Plan and deliver engaging, content-rich lessons aligned with ACAR’s classical curriculum and pedagogy in Music, Art, and Physical Education as assigned.



- Foster student appreciation for beauty, creativity, discipline, physical well-being, and joyful participation through the fine arts and movement.
- Guide students in developing foundational skills in music, artistic expression, and physical activity through sequential and developmentally appropriate instruction.
- Coordinate co-curricular instruction with classroom learning and support interdisciplinary connections across the curriculum.
- Establish and maintain a classroom climate of joy, order, wonder, and respect.
- Manage student behavior promptly and appropriately in accordance with schoolwide expectations.
- Communicate regularly with parents regarding student progress, behavior, and classroom expectations.
- Evaluate student performance and maintain accurate student records and grades as required.
- Assist in organizing, inventorying, ordering, and caring for instructional materials, equipment, and supplies related to assigned subject areas.
- Engage charitably and professionally with students, parents, colleagues, and staff.
- Model prudence, responsibility, self-discipline, and the other virtues of the school and classical education.
- Participate actively in professional development to deepen subject knowledge and classical teaching methods.
- Use appropriate technology for instruction, assessment, and record keeping as required.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (required).
- Degree or strong background in Music, Art, Physical Education, or a related field (preferred).
- Valid Tennessee teaching license (preferred but not required).
- Experience in classical education (preferred but not required).
- Strong written and oral communication skills.
- Commitment to the mission and vision of ACAR and enthusiasm for forming students in both knowledge and virtue.

Salary and Benefits



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- Competitive salary commensurate with experience.
- Health, dental, and vision insurance.
- Participation in the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System.
- Ongoing professional development opportunities.

Application Instructions

If interested, send a letter of interest, a resume, a one-page statement of philosophy of education, and a list of references to: Interim Head of School Tonya Iturri at titurri@rutherfordclassical.org.