



### **Job Posting: March 2021**

### **Position: 5th Grade Teacher**

St. Mark's Episcopal School is conducting a search for a full-time, fifth grade homeroom teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. This teacher will be tasked with teaching social studies to his/her homeroom and writing to all three sections of fifth grade.

St. Mark's, established in 1979, is a coeducational parish day school, serving students from age two through Grade 8 in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida. The foundation of St. Mark's program is to provide students with balanced exposure to academics, arts, athletics, and spiritual life. At all levels, our students will be, as our mission states, academically enriched in a nurturing Christian environment.

The fifth grade writing program develops authentic and structured writers of narrative, argumentative, and expository prose. Our workshop format focuses on ideas, organization, word choice, conventions, voice, and sentence fluency. Mini-lessons in small group settings build strength in these specific skills. Consistent drafting, revising, conferencing, and editing encourage students to see writing as a continual process and reflect upon their work.

This position demands a teacher with the developmental and pedagogical background to embrace early adolescent children. Ideal candidates seek to partner with parents, collaborate with team members, and demonstrate a commitment to professional growth.

Qualified candidates should have the following competencies:

- a strong understanding of foundational skills in literacy.
- an ability to establish and maintain strong home-to-school partnerships.
- professional and polished interpersonal skills to build strong relationships.
- excellent communication skills, oral and written.
- proficiency in educational technology.

Responsibilities include:

- providing developmentally appropriate instruction and assessment in social studies and writing.
- differentiating instruction to meet the individual needs of all students.
- integrating authentic, age appropriate technology into curriculum.
- communicating sensitively, regularly, and honestly with parents.

Preferred Professional Qualifications:

- a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood or Elementary Education.
- Florida teaching certificate, temporary certificate, or willingness to obtain certification.
- previous teaching experience.
- familiarity with independent school culture and comfort with a faith-based school.

Interested candidates should email a cover letter and resume to Page Cash, Head of Lower School, at [pcash@stmarkspb.org](mailto:pcash@stmarkspb.org). For more information on St. Mark's Episcopal School, visit our website at [stmarkspb.org](http://stmarkspb.org).

*St. Mark's Episcopal School provides an academically enriched program in a nurturing Christian environment.*