Job Description: Orangewood Christian Lower School teacher

Job Title: 5th Grade Reading and Language Arts Teacher FLSA Status: Salaried, Exempt Department: Lower School

Evaluation: Performance will be evaluated initially at 90 days then annually thereafter with this position description. Employees will undergo initial and periodic subsequent background checks and drug screenings as required.

Reports to: Lower School Principal **Supervises (number of employees):**n/a

Education Requirement: Bachelor's degree Years of Experience: Minimum of two years of subject matter experience Licenses or Certifications: Holds or is in the process of earning a Florida Educator Certificate in the subject area assigned.

Summary: Orangewood Christian School is seeking a 5th Grade Reading and Language Arts teacher. Our teachers are building Christian Community within and beyond the school, are active in a church community and serving as Christian role models to students, parents, and staff. Teachers are expected to keep abreast of current trends and assist their respective departments with long-term goal planning for the program, developing both short- and long-term instructional objectives. Teachers must have strong Instructional and Classroom Management skills, including but not limited to: excellent oral and written communication skills; use of various teaching strategies and resources to actively engage students in learning; adjusting curriculum as appropriate; posting lesson plans on FACTS SIS; evaluating handouts and testing materials against student performance; evaluating students and providing opportunities for students to demonstrate mastery; quickly grading and returning student work; enforcing school discipline policies in a consistent and loving manner; promptly notifying parents and administration of behavioral or academic problems and organizing classroom materials for efficient learning. OCS teachers are expected to make meaningful connections between faith and learning in the classroom. The employee is responsible for continuing education and completing certification requirements.

Essential Function:

* Teach and instruction 5th grade reading, writing and grammar.

*Prepare students to view literary texts through a biblical worldview.

*Review, analyze and evaluate individual student histories and background to design instructional programs to meet individual needs.

*Collaborate and have a team-oriented mindset.

*Counsel and confer with parents and school regarding pupil progress.

*Create projects designed to enhance lessons.

*Uses technology to as a critical means for delivering assessing and transforming the teaching and learning of ELA.

*Strong interpersonal communication skills desired.

*Be detailed oriented and organized.

*Demonstrates critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

*Be flexible and adapt to meet the needs of diverse learning.

*Demonstrate a reasonable level of computer literacy, having a basic proficiency in doing word processing, creating and using a spreadsheet, emailing, Google docs and RenWeb.

* Possess evidence of other experiences as determined by the school administrator.

*Develop and maintain rapport with students, parents, and staff by treating others with patience and respect.

Supplemental Function:

*Attend staff meetings.

*Participate in assigned school duties.

*Maintain a clean, attractive, and well-ordered classroom.

*Assist with recess and lunch duties.

*Support the programs of the school by attending extracurricular activities when possible.

Required Personal Qualities:

The employee shall:

1. Have confessed Jesus Christ as his/her personal Lord and Savior.

2. Believe the Bible is the revelation of God's truth and is infallible and authoritative in all matters of faith and practice.

3. Faithfully attend and actively support a local church that adheres to the principles listed in the OCS Statement of Faith.

4. Be in agreement with the school's Statement of Faith.

5. Be a Christian role model in attitude, speech, and actions both in and out of school to students, parents, and fellow employees. Agree with and adhere to the OCS Lifestyle Statement.

6. Show by example the importance of Scripture study and memorization, prayer, witnessing and unity in the body of Christ.

7. Have the spiritual maturity, academic ability, and personal leadership qualities to equip students to transform the world for Christ and His kingdom.

Additional Personal Qualities:

The employee shall:

1. Recognize the role of parents as primarily responsible before God for their children's education and be prepared to assist them in that task.

2. Demonstrate the character qualities of enthusiasm, courtesy, flexibility, integrity, gratitude, kindness, self-control, perseverance and punctuality.

3. Meet everyday stress with emotional stability, objectivity and optimism.

4. Maintain a personal appearance that is a Christian role model of cleanliness, modesty, good taste and agreement with school policy.

5. Have a strong command of the English language in both verbal and written communication.

6. Respectfully submit and be loyal to constituted authority.

- 7. Notify the Head of School of any policy that he/she is unable to support.
- 8. Refuse to use or circulate confidential information.
- 9. Place his/her OCS position ahead of other jobs or volunteer activities.
- 10. Make an effort to appreciate and understand the uniqueness of the OCS community.

Work Environment:

⊠Offices	⊠Classrooms	⊠Outdoors	⊠Community
□All facilities including roof and crawl spaces		□ Other:	

Physical Demands:

⊠Walking/Standing	⊠Lifting/Moving (number of p	oounds30_)	□Stretching
⊠Exposure to cold/Heat	⊠Talking/hearing	⊠Vision (clos	e and distance)
Bending/climbing	□Other		

* The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.