

Position Title:	Headmaster
<u>Salary</u> :	Competitive salary based on experience plus benefits (medical, dental, 401k, tuition discount)
Location:	Bakersfield, California
Education:	Master's Degree (or outstanding Bachelor's Degree) in a traditional academic discipline
Experience:	Five years of teaching, preferably in a classical or Christian school, preferably with leadership experience
Summary:	The Headmaster is the senior teacher and academic leader of the school and reports to the Board of Directors.

Personal and Professional Characteristics

- Subscription to the Westminster Confession of Faith or the Second London Baptist Confession of Faith.
- Membership in good standing in a Christian church and demonstrated commitment to the local church and the means of grace.
- Spiritual qualifications for service as an elder, as set forth in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9.
- Knowledge of classical educational philosophy and practice and general agreement with the school's philosophy of education.
- Proficiency in the liberal arts and breadth of reading in the Great Books and the classical curriculum.
- Professionalism, politeness, and personability suitable for leadership.
- Magnanimity and virtue to serve as a model for students.
- Proven ability to teach and to speak clearly, concisely, and precisely.
- Proven ability to lead a team, solve problems, and manage both teachers and other employees.
- Entrepreneurial work ethic and vision to build and grow a young school over the long term.

Duties and Areas of Responsibility

- Teach one subject in the Secondary School curriculum.
- Collaborate with the Superintendent to supervise all school programs and operations and implement the policies set by the Board of Directors.
- Promote, by instruction and example, the Christian culture of the school.
- Serve as the primary spokesperson of the school.
- Lead the faculty in the application of corrective discipline.
- Lead recruitment of new teachers, in cooperation with the Hiring Committee.
- Lead ongoing training and assessment of teachers in the principles and techniques of classical pedagogy, in cooperation with the Curriculum Committee.
- Lead ongoing development and extension of curriculum, in cooperation with the Curriculum Committee.
- Further the development of the school's philosophy of classical education and promote it to parents and donors, in cooperation with the President.

How to Apply

Applicants should submit an updated curriculum vitae, along with a Word Document containing concise answers to the following questions:

- What is a classical, Christian education?
- Who are two educational philosophers or writers who have had a strong influence on you, and why?
- What local church are you a member of? How consistently do you attend corporate worship? Describe your involvement in any ministries or activities other than corporate worship.
- How would you describe your theological and denominational convictions?
- When considering a theological question, who are two or three theologians you always or nearly always consult, and why?
- Describe your avocational interests and hobbies.
- Approximately how much of your time do you spend reading? List the titles of several books you have read in the past year.
- In the past year, what have you done to enhance your knowledge in an area that was not required by any employer or educational institution?

Please email all application materials to <u>brett.stroud@bakersfieldclassical.com</u>. Candidates with strong applications will be invited to participate in telephonic and in-person interviews, and references will be requested and consulted.