**Lower School PE Teacher**

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SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITIES:The Physical Education (PE) teacher for preschool through 5th grade plays a critical role in developing students' physical skills, promoting a love for active lifestyles, and fostering teamwork and social skills. This role involves planning, organizing, and delivering age-appropriate lessons while ensuring a safe and inclusive learning environment.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES/ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

● Create engaging, developmentally appropriate physical education lessons that address motor skills,

   coordination, strength, endurance, and flexibility.

● Align instruction with state/national physical education standards and school objectives.

● Integrate fun and creative activities to motivate young learners.

● Teach basic locomotor skills (e.g., running, jumping, skipping) for preschoolers.

● Advance to sportsmanship, teamwork, and sport-specific skills for older grades.

● Encourage active participation and monitor individual progress.

● Provide age-appropriate guidance on physical health, nutrition, and overall wellness.

● Promote habits that contribute to lifelong fitness

● Effectively manage a classroom.

● Create an engaging, relational, and joy-filled learning environment with the students.

QUALIFIED APPLICANTS:

* Must be a born-again believer in Jesus Christ; be involved with an evangelical, protestant church of like faith and practice; and agree with the philosophies of Laurens Academy.
* Have a commitment to the mission, philosophy, goals, and objectives of Christian schooling as expressed by Laurens Academy.
* Bachelor’s degree in physical education or a related field is required.
* Candidates with experience in teaching physical education is preferred.
* Strong communication and presentation skills are required.

  PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

● Ability to evacuate students in the event of emergency

● Ability to sit, bend, stand, as needed in interactions with students

● Must be able to lift 15 pounds at times