



# OAKDALE ACADEMY

A NON-SECTARIAN CLASSICAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
SERVING OAKLAND COUNTY IN THE  
METRO DETROIT AREA

## Rhetoric School Position

Oakdale Academy is looking to add a member to our Rhetoric School Humanities department as our school continues to grow. We are seeking a candidate with love of the true, good, and beautiful which can be found in the great books and history of the Western tradition. A teacher in this position would work to immerse themselves in classical pedagogy rooted in the trivium and supported by a life of Christian virtue and love for God's truth. This faculty member will be responsible for developing in our students a passion for rich discussion and thought surrounding history, the Great Books, and continued learning.

At Oakdale Academy, all faculty and staff affirm and embody the Staff Honor Code and support students and families in exhibiting their own Honor Codes as well. Our staff also work together to create a culture of encouragement, prayer, and charity as we seek human flourishing for all within our community.

## About Oakdale Academy

In May of 2011, a group of parents visited Hillsdale Academy in Hillsdale, Michigan and came away with a vision for bringing that same model of academic excellence and solid foundation of classical education back to the Metro Detroit area. They learned about the curriculum and saw firsthand why the Hillsdale Academy model was so successful in producing graduates who were intelligent, articulate, well-read, and of great character. When the group reconvened on June 11, 2011, they were called to carry out God's plan to bring Oakdale Academy to Waterford. All eight families voted unanimously to dedicate the time and resources to open Oakdale Academy in September of that same year.

United in purpose, and through many challenges, God continued to show His faithfulness by providing a beautiful facility, an incredible staff, and students eager to learn and make new friends. Oakdale graduated its first senior class in 2014. God remains faithful as we continue to seek His will in this incredible undertaking. To Him be the glory!

## Details & Requirements

- This position reports to the Rhetoric School Department Head
- A Bachelor's Degree is required for faculty positions
- Teaching experience, classical training, and advanced education are desired but not required
- Faculty and staff are expected to demonstrate high moral character and to embrace the virtues upheld and developed in a classical education
- Exhibiting a sense of humility and desire to grow and improve as a teacher of the classical, liberal arts tradition, faculty will seek out and accept opportunities to develop their skills through professional development and engagement in the wider classical education community
- All faculty will exhibit and uphold the Oakdale Academy Staff Honor Code, Statement of Faith, and other school policies
- Teaching positions begin August 1 and are contracted through end of July, with on-campus responsibilities from mid-August to early June

## Contact & Next Steps

- Interested candidates should complete a Faculty Application, which can be found at [oakdaleacademy.com](http://oakdaleacademy.com)
- After applications have been received, candidates should expect an in-person interview, a guest teaching lesson to be presented at Oakdale Academy, and a routine behavioral assessment
- Please direct all questions to Valerie Bredow, Head of School, at [vbredow@oakdaleacademy.com](mailto:vbredow@oakdaleacademy.com)

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IS NOT TO MAKE MEN CARPENTERS;  
IT IS TO MAKE CARPENTERS MEN."

W.E.B. DUBOIS