

OLSW – Music Teacher

At Our Lady Seat of Wisdom, the Music Teacher is responsible for providing instruction in sacred and classical music within the framework of a classical liberal arts education rooted in the Catholic intellectual tradition. The teacher forms students not only musically but also morally and spiritually, cultivating a love of truth, goodness, and beauty through disciplined practice, attentive listening, and participation in the musical life of the Church.

The Music Teacher prepares and delivers clear, well-structured lessons that introduce students to the foundations of music, including vocal technique, musical literacy, and choral singing. Instruction emphasizes the rich tradition of sacred music, including chant and hymnody, while helping students develop habits of attention, discipline, and excellence. A variety of classical methods are employed, including repetition, imitation, and guided practice, ensuring that students grow in both skill and understanding.

A central responsibility of the role is preparing students to participate in the liturgical life of the Academy. The Music Teacher works in coordination with the Headmaster and Pastor to prepare music for Mass, Feast Days, and other school liturgies, ensuring that student participation reflects reverence, order, and care.

Equally important is the cultivation of an orderly and purposeful classroom environment. The Music Teacher establishes clear expectations for conduct and effort, fosters attentive participation, and encourages perseverance in the pursuit of musical excellence.

As a member of a Catholic faculty, the Music Teacher also supports the spiritual life of the Academy by modeling fidelity to the teachings of the Catholic Church and by contributing to the beauty of the school's liturgical and cultural life. The teacher participates in the broader life of the school, including Mass, prayer, faculty collaboration, and school events.

Candidates should possess a bachelor's degree in Music or a related field (a master's degree preferred), experience in teaching or choral work, and familiarity with the tradition of Catholic sacred music. Strong classroom presence and the ability to lead students with clarity and authority are essential. Above all, the Music Teacher is expected to serve as both an instructor and a formative presence, guiding students toward a lasting appreciation of beauty and order.