

## St. Thomas High School



**Title:** Life Science (Full-Time)  
**Year:** 2019 -2020 School Year  
**Supervisor:** Principal  
St. Thomas High School  
**FLSA:** Exempt

The position includes duties as classroom teacher, Life Science curriculum owner, and active contributor to the overall growth of students at St. Thomas High School.

### **St. Thomas High School**

St. Thomas High School, an all-boys private, Catholic college-preparatory school for grades 9-12 in Houston, Texas is actively seeking to fill the position of Life Science teacher. Ranked among the country's finest college-preparatory schools and founded in 1900, St. Thomas High School continues today to build on its mission: Teach Me Goodness, Discipline, and Knowledge. With an enrollment of approximately 600 students and growing, St. Thomas is committed to providing a multi-dimensional education for young men through a challenging college-preparatory curriculum and an abundance of artistic, athletic, and leadership opportunities. The motivated students, talented faculty and staff, devoted and active parents, a distinguished alumni base, along with an exciting new addition to the beautiful centrally located campus, make St. Thomas one of the most exciting places to work in education.

### **Required Experience and Essential Job Functions**

This position requires a professional who:

- Holds a bachelor's degree or above.
- Has a minimum 24 hours of college level Biology or Life Science related courses.
- Has completed 12 credit hours in education courses or holds a valid state teaching certificate.
- Is passionate about teaching life science skills to young men.
- Supports and implements the philosophy of Catholic education.
- Participates in building faith community.
- Serves as a content expert and seeks out opportunities to expand his or her knowledge.
- Thrives on a collaborative team which promotes daily brainstorming and creative thinking.
- Exhibits a growth mindset and continually improve the way he or she operates.
- Masters diverse teaching styles and thoughtfully selects the appropriate teaching style for the material and students.
- Often works as a co-learner in the classroom, allowing for student-led questioning and discussion and student-developed assignments.
- Assigns homework intentionally, sometimes asking students to recall or apply information but often asking them to analyze, evaluate or create.

- Embraces classroom technology and uses it as a tool for learning (Microsoft products, Google apps and classroom functionality such as SmartBoards or other interactive white boards).
- Creates and timely posts robust lesson plans which align with curriculum, instruction and assessment, and integrate technology into the curriculum.
- Uses instructional time efficiently and effectively.
- Evaluates student progress effectively, keeping records and reports required by the school.
- Constantly evaluates course lesson plans to align with best practices and updated knowledge.
- Builds appropriate and professional mentorship relationships with students.
- Values student and teacher wellness.
- Follow directives of the principal and regulations as set forth in the school employee handbook.

### **Preferred Experience and Characteristics**

- Advanced degree (Biology, Marine Biology, Biochemistry, Biomedical Science, Environmental Science)
- Prior teaching experience at middle school, high school or college level.
- Experience teaching advanced and on level high school life science courses.

### **This Position**

- receives immediate support from the Dean of the Science Department, from the instructional leadership team, and from the Learning Enrichment Center team; in addition to supervision by and additional support from the Principal and the Assistant Principal

### **Function Statement**

Essential and important responsibilities and duties may include but are not limited to the following:

- Teach 5 sections of life science courses in a Catholic college preparatory environment.
- Additional duties will include a section of study hall and/or a section of substitute coverage.
- Actively access professional development materials and continually adjust/ improve curriculum.
- Excitedly take on responsibilities above and beyond classroom duties.
- Normal duties required of all faculty members as outlined in employment contract.

*The above statements are intended to describe the general nature of work performed by individuals in this job classification. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and qualifications required of individuals in this job classification. All job classifications may have miscellaneous job duties assigned on an as needed basis. Management, at the appropriate level, retains the right to assign and change the duties of any position at any time.*

### **How to Apply**

Please go to the St. Thomas High School website at [www.sths.org/about/careers/](http://www.sths.org/about/careers/) and download a Teacher Application for employment. Email your completed application, resume and cover letter to [careers@sths.org](mailto:careers@sths.org).