



## Head of School

Good Shepherd Episcopal School  
*Tequesta, Florida*

July 2022 • [goodshepschool.com](http://goodshepschool.com)



## The Opportunity

Good Shepherd Episcopal School in Tequesta, Florida, seeks a new Head of School to begin in July 2022. As a premier early childhood and elementary school program for preschool through fifth grade, Good Shepherd Episcopal School provides a superior academic program while nurturing the whole child. GSES believes that a school should inspire a love of learning while promoting children's social growth, emotional growth, intellectual development, and creativity.

Good Shepherd Episcopal School motto:  
Learning to love, loving to learn

GSES opened in 1995 with the goal to enrich the lives of children of all faiths. It began as a half-day preschool program in the church's Sunday School rooms, but quickly grew, adding grades until the new building opened in 1998, serving students up through grade five. The school added a modern wing to house art, music, and science classes in 2012 and an outdoor classroom and a lunchroom facility in 2019. The steady growth is evidence of the community's unwavering dedication to children's education. The crowning feature of the school structure is the historic cast iron school bell forged by the Meneely Bell Company in New York, the creators of the Liberty Bell.

Good Shepherd strives to provide a learning environment rich in experiences. Children are nurtured and challenged through a

curriculum built on core subjects, technology integration, project-based learning, STEAM lab lessons, a robust arts program, and weekly chapel services. The school vegetable garden, marine life studies, and engaging field trips expose students to education outside of the classroom. Children are encouraged to become creative learners and independent thinkers.

Early learners are encouraged to grow and learn through play and experiences including exposure to music, arts, Spanish, and physical education. Instruction for Primary learners is interactive and student-centered, incorporating core-subject learning in addition to resource classes. Grades three through five learn to collaborate, cooperate, and communicate as they engage in "minds on" activities to enhance their studies. Fifth grade students are guided to set some of their own learning goals as they develop independence and prepare for life beyond Good Shepherd. In the Episcopalian tradition, children are cherished as individuals throughout their years at GSES.

**Good Shepherd Episcopal School is an inclusive, independent, coeducational day school serving 133 students in prekindergarten through grade 5.**

## To Apply

Please complete the online [Application](#) to become a **Southern Teachers Candidate** and submit a cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for this position.



**SOUTHERN TEACHERS**  
AGENCY



# Head of School

Good Shepherd Episcopal School  
Tequesta, Florida  
July 2022 • goodshepschool.com

## The Position

Good Shepherd Episcopal School seeks a creative and collaborative Head of School who embraces the spiritual values of the Episcopal Church and who finds joy in the spiritual, educational, and emotional development of young people. The next Head of School will be a visible presence on campus, foster and maintain positive relationships within the school community, and communicate the unique benefits of the school to the wider Tequesta community. He or she will have strong management skills and be comfortable with leading the school through a period of growth and change.

Good Shepherd Episcopal School looks forward to finding its next Head of School who will lead the school in attaining the following goals:

- Work with Admissions and the Board to develop a plan to grow enrollment in the elementary grades.
- Lead the process of building awareness and appreciation of the value of Good Shepherd Episcopal School among parents, alumni, the church congregation, and the wider community.
- Be the face of the school in the community who will enhance the reputation of the school through engagement with local organizations.
- Foster best practices and innovative pedagogy that meet the needs of all learners. This will include collaborating with faculty to create a more comprehensive faculty professional development process.
- Ensure religious instruction that is meaningful, academically substantive, and age-appropriate.
- Increase communication among faculty, parents, administration and students.
- In concert with the Board and the Church, develop a master facility plan that enhances the school and works towards a more unified church and school presence.

Good Shepherd Episcopal's mission is to provide students with a firm foundation for life and learning in a safe environment that meets the needs of each student.

## At a Glance

Founded: **1995**  
Grades: **PreK-5**  
Total Enrollment: **133**  
Preschool Enrollment: **66**  
Lower School Enrollment: **67**  
Total Faculty and Administration: **26**  
Student/Faculty Ratio: **7:1**  
Highest Tuition: **\$15,875**  
Students Receiving Aid: **18%**  
Annual Budget: **\$1.9 million**  
Annual Fund Goal: **\$35,000**  
Accreditation: **FCIS**  
Board of Trustees: **9**





# Head of School

Good Shepherd Episcopal School  
Tequesta, Florida  
July 2022 • [goodshepschool.com](http://goodshepschool.com)

## The Location

The village of Tequesta, Florida is nestled just north of Jupiter in Palm Beach County on Florida's East Coast. Founded in the 1950's along U.S. Highway 1, it has maintained its small-town spirit as it has evolved into an exceptional waterfront community. The area boasts an abundance of outdoor and family-centered fun on land and water, from beaches and natural areas to explore, various animal-encounter opportunities, and limitless hiking, biking, boating, and golfing options. The Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse Outstanding Natural Area, the only such federally-designated area east of the Mississippi, allows visitors to experience a wealth of unique historic, cultural, and natural resources.



## Episcopal Identity

Episcopal schools are a concrete expression of the Church's care for young people and their families, and of the belief that God calls us to love all God's children. They share a focus on four core qualities: worship, community life, religious formation, and social responsibility.

An Episcopal school is comprehensive and inclusive.  
An Episcopal school values reason as a way to true understanding.  
An Episcopal school promotes respect for all of God's creation.

## At Good Shepherd, We Believe:

- The individual child is God's creation and is valued above all else.
- The way we teach is as important as what we teach.
- An atmosphere of trust and structured freedom is essential.
- Hands-on and interactive is the best environment for learning.
- It is important to share our gifts with others.
- Our small class sizes are designed to promote problem solving skills and encourage creativity.
- Mistakes are learning opportunities that should be springboards to improvement.
- Parents are welcomed, encouraged, and expected to be an integral part of their child's education.
- Our school teaches respect for the religious and cultural differences that exist in our community.

