

Library Media Specialist (K-12)

Position Type: Full-Time **Start Date:** August 2025

At Harding Academy, our mission is rooted in three simple but profound goals: to teach students to **love** others as Christ loves them, to **think** creatively and learn with open minds, and to **live** courageously to the glory of God.

We are seeking a passionate and mission-minded **Library Media Specialist** who will guide students in developing both the technical skills and the character to become thoughtful, informed, and Christ-centered learners.

Responsibilities

Library Stewardship & Resource Management

- Oversee all aspects of the library, including collection development, organization, circulation, and technology integration.
- Curate a balanced and engaging collection of print and digital resources that encourage a love of reading, critical thinking, and lifelong learning.

Instruction & Research Guidance

- Equip students with research skills, media literacy, and digital citizenship in alignment with both academic standards and a biblical worldview.
- Model and promote ethical and discerning use of information.
- Share books during weekly visits, either by recommendation or reading aloud, to promote a love of reading in lower school students.

Teacher Collaboration

- Partner with faculty to integrate library resources into lesson planning, unit design, and project-based learning.
- Support teachers in fostering creative, curious, and courageous learners through both print and digital media.

Faith & Mission Integration

 Exemplify and intentionally weave a biblical perspective into teaching, conversations, and resource selection. Nurture an environment where students learn to apply Christlike discernment in all areas of information and media use.

Technology Integration & Innovation

- Utilize digital platforms, databases, and multimedia tools to enhance learning.
- Lead the way in helping students and teachers leverage technology responsibly and effectively, including promoting discernment and ethical use of Artificial Intelligence in academic and creative work.

Professional Growth & Leadership

- Stay current on trends in education, literacy, library management, and technology.
- Contribute to a professional culture of collaboration, creativity, and spiritual growth.

Desired Qualifications

- Master's degree in Library Science, Information Science, or a related field.
- Experience in a K-12 educational environment is strongly preferred.
- Deep understanding of information literacy, research strategies, and media ethics.
- Strong communication, collaboration, and interpersonal skills.
- A demonstrated commitment to integrating Christian faith into professional practice.
- Proficiency in using and teaching educational technology and digital resources.