Mr. Robert Hoshaw  
Head of School

**Education/Background:**  
Bachelor’s Degree in Electrical Engineering, Purdue University. Rob has nineteen years of industrial experience as a Design Engineer, Program Manager, and Quality Manager. He has also served in youth ministry leadership roles for over 10 years. Rob is one of the founders of Acacia Academy.

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Mr. Sean Cameron  
Director of Development

**Education/Teaching Background:**  
Sean studied Communications at Indiana University-Kokomo with a focus on Literature. Sean has ten years of experience in education, in both public and private schools, including working with special needs children and at-risk youth. He has also worked as a journalist, publishing over 1,000 articles in newspapers, magazines, and journals. A few of those articles were about Acacia and after learning about the school, he jumped at the opportunity to join the staff.

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Ms. Miranda Middleton  
First Grade Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**  
2018 Graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University with a B.S. in Elementary Education and a concentration in TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages). Her senior year she received the Future Outstanding Reading Teacher Award for Indiana Wesleyan. Experience: During her college experience she was a practicum teacher at Francis Slocum (1st) and Summitville Elementary School (4th). She completed her student teaching experience at Elwood Elementary School as a full time 1st grade teacher. In addition, she taught Preschool Sunday school for 2 ½ years and volunteered as a leader for 7 years in children’s church ministry.

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Dr. Nathan Greeley
Fifth Grade Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor's Degree in History, Worcester State University; Master’s Degree in Religion, Claremont Graduate University; Ph.D. in Religion, Claremont Graduate University.
Nathan has five years of experience doing part-time teaching at Indiana Wesleyan University. His strong interest in classical Christian education led him to Acacia Academy.

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Mrs. Betsy Hoshaw
Science Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor of Arts Biology, Physical Sciences, Elmira College
Master of Science Education, IUPUI
Mrs. Hoshaw’s experience includes 25 years teaching for Kokomo Center schools; one year teaching for Los Angeles County schools; 10 years adjunct teaching education at IUK and co-designed the VISION schools/industry program.

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Mrs. Lora Hostetler
Kindergarten Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor of Science Education, Purdue University.
Mrs. Hostetler has served over 30 years as an elementary teacher, a middle school and high school home economics teacher, a preschool director, and most recently as the Director of Christian Education at First Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

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Mrs. Marilee Neer
Fourth Grade Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor’s degree in Secondary Education, Clarks Summit University (Baptist Bible College); Associates Degree in Landscaping, SUNY at Alfred. Accredited with Christian School International.
Experience: Mrs. Neer has 5 years teaching experience at Kokomo Christian School and 2 years of classical education in Kokomo, IN.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Huffman
Third Grade Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor’s degree in English from Indiana University, undergraduate studies at Asbury University.
Experience: Mrs. Huffman has taught at a Christian School in Cape Coral, FL for 11 years. She has been employed at Acacia Academy since 2016.

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Mrs. Natalie Pugh
Sixth Grade Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor of Science Elementary Education, Indiana University.
Mrs. Pugh has served in a wide variety of ministry experiences, she homeschooled her children for two years, and has served as a volunteer at Acacia prior to being hired as a teacher. Mrs. Pugh has also had the opportunity to teach in China during the summer of 2018!

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Mrs. Lisa Taflinger
Mission and Office Manager

Education/Background:
Lisa has a degree in Social Work from Anderson University and an Elementary Education Teaching degree from Indiana Wesleyan University. Lisa and her husband Travis are also great community supporters through their service and volunteer efforts.

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Mrs. Judy Weirauch
Second Grade Teacher

Education/Teaching Background:
Master of Arts in Special Education, Ball State University; Bachelor of Science Degree in Biblical Studies and Elementary Education, Clarks Summit University (Baptist Bible College).

License: Indiana State Professional Teacher License: elementary education, general studies and special education.

Experience: Mrs. Weirauch has 25+ years of teaching experience in several venues-Christian school, homeschooling, public school, and collegiate level. She has taught general education and special education, mild interventions and emotional disorders. She began teaching at Acacia Academy in August, 2016.

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Mrs. Joan White
7/8 Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Master’s degree in Music Education from Wichita State University and Ball State University; Bachelor’s degree from Rutgers University.
Joan is an accomplished violin performer and maintained a large private violin teaching studio for three decades. Joan currently serves as an adjunct professor at IU-Kokomo. She has also classically educated her children at home for seven years.

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Mrs. Cynthia Williams
Music Teacher

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Master of Ed. Curriculum & Instruction, Olivet Nazarene University; Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame.
Cynthia has over 15 years of experience teaching in a variety of forums including public schools, private lessons, and camps.

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Mrs. Karla Wood
Brain Train

**Education/Teaching Background:**
Bachelor’s Degree in Elementary Education with Early Childhood Endorsement, Indiana University
Karla has over 7 years of public school teaching experience and has served in leadership roles for various ministries. She has taught at Acacia Academy since its beginning in 2009. She is currently our “Brain Train” expert!

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