



# Join Our Leadership Team!

## Chief Academic Officer Search



### Brauser Maimonides Academy seeks a Chief Academic Officer

Position begins July 2026

At Brauser Maimonides Academy (BMA), we believe that excellent schools are built on thoughtful vision, collaborative leadership, and a deep respect for both students and teachers. As we prepare for our next phase of growth, BMA is seeking a strategic and community-minded **Chief Academic Officer (CAO)** to lead and strengthen the educational experience for our students, families, and faculty.

The Chief Academic Officer will serve as a central driver of BMA's academic direction, ensuring cohesion, clarity, and alignment across our dual curriculum and across all grade levels, from Early Childhood through 8th Grade. This is a meaningful opportunity to join a Modern Orthodox day school with over 750 students, and to help shape its future in partnership with a committed Head of School, talented faculty, and invested parent body.

### About BMA

Brauser Maimonides Academy is a Modern Orthodox day school located in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, serving students from Early Childhood through 8th Grade. We are proud to be a school that lives Torah values, pursues academic excellence, and nurtures growth.

Our mission calls us to inspire each student to achieve their unique potential: academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. We do this through a robust dual curriculum, strong home/school partnerships, and a culture that embraces both tradition and forward-thinking innovation.

What makes BMA unique is the way our values come to life in daily practice:

- **Where Every Student Thrives:**

Through a focus on the whole child, we empower and inspire students to strive for excellence in their educational, social-emotional, and spiritual growth.



- **Where Warmth Meets Ruach:**

A nurturing environment that not only sparks a deep passion and joy for learning but also instills a strong sense of pride and belonging.



- **Where Torah & Madda Are Holistically Integrated:**

Students connect learning to daily life through a well-rounded Torah U'Madda, Zionist education.

With strong enrollment, a dynamic leadership team, and a supportive community, BMA is positioned for continued growth, and the CAO will play a pivotal role in that journey.



## **About the Role:**

The Chief Academic Officer will report directly to the Head of School and work in close partnership with and supervise division principals and instructional leaders to create cohesion and academic excellence across the school. This position blends strategic vision with day-to-day instructional leadership, focusing on system-level design while also supporting the people and practices that make learning meaningful.



Key responsibilities include:

- **Academic Vision & Cohesion**

Develop and articulate a shared vision for academic excellence that integrates General and Judaic Studies, and ensures alignment across grades, departments, and divisions.

- **Curriculum & Instructional Leadership**

Oversee the review, development, and implementation of curricula across the school. Ensure vertical alignment, promote strong pedagogy, and support thoughtful innovation in both content and practice.



- **Faculty Growth & Coaching**

Support division principals to design and implement systems for instructional coaching, teacher evaluation, professional learning, and leadership development.

- **Student Culture & Parent Partnership**

Partner with division principals to support a positive and inclusive student culture. Help ensure consistent behavioral expectations, and collaborate with principals in fostering meaningful communication with parents.



- **Cross-Divisional Collaboration**

Build relationships across departments and divisions. Foster shared ownership of schoolwide priorities and a healthy culture of collaboration.

- **Culture & Core Values Integration**

Ensure that BMA's mission and values are reflected in academic decision-making, classroom practices, and leadership norms.

- **Data-Informed Decision-Making**

Develop and lead systems to gather and analyze data related to student learning and program outcomes to inform planning and accountability.

- **Partnership with Head of School**

Serve as a thought partner and strategic ally to the Head of School, helping to prioritize, plan, and execute key educational initiatives.



## **The Ideal Candidate**

The successful candidate will be a proven academic leader with the experience, clarity, and values-driven approach to lead this important work. Specifically, we seek someone who:

- Is a master educator with experience in curriculum and instruction across grades and subject areas
- Brings a track record of successful leadership in Jewish day schools or comparable educational settings
- Can lead with both strategy and implementation

- Builds trust and manages people with emotional intelligence and professionalism
- Demonstrates comfort with both General and Judaic Studies and understands the dynamics of dual-curriculum education in a Modern Orthodox setting
- Has excellent communication and facilitation skills
- Approaches challenges with thoughtfulness, flexibility, and a team mindset
- Models a culture of growth, respect, and collaboration

## Minimum Requirements:

- MA or higher in Education, Educational Leadership, or related field
- At least 5 years of leadership experience in education
- Understanding of Modern Orthodox day school culture and values
- Willingness to relocate to South Florida (if relevant) and make a long-term impact

### About the South Florida Community

The Fort Lauderdale / Hollywood area is home to a dynamic and rapidly growing Jewish community. With a strong network of shuls, kosher restaurants, mikvaot, and vibrant Jewish life, it's a warm and welcoming environment for individuals and families alike.

The community is known for its deep commitment to Torah values, Zionism, chesed, and high-quality Jewish education. Living in South Florida also offers access to beaches, sunshine, and a uniquely high quality of life year-round.

### Salary and Benefits

This is a full-time, senior leadership position. Salary range is \$175,000–\$200,000, commensurate with experience. A competitive benefits package will be offered, along with relocation support.

### To Apply

Interested candidates should submit a resume and a cover letter to Dr. Mark Shinar at Mark Shinar Consulting: [markshinar@gmail.com](mailto:markshinar@gmail.com).

We strongly encourage early applications. Review of applications will begin in summer 2025.

