



Kindergarten Teacher

Job Description

Reports To:	Building Principal
FLSA Status:	Exempt
School Classification:	Certified Staff
Starting Pay Range:	\$44,683 - \$80,456
Work Schedule:	9 months
Location:	Onsite
Position Summary:	The Kindergarten Teacher prepares lessons and provides instruction to students.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS and RESPONSIBILITIES:

General Duties

- Provides academic instruction to students in collaboration with grade level teams
- Develops and implements standards-based lesson plans that meet student needs
- Establishes and reinforces routines and expectations for academic work and classroom behaviors
- Maintains confidential student information and accurate records
- Communicates with and assists parents, teachers, support staff, and school leadership in line with the school's core values

Other Duties

- Attend meetings, workshops or training sessions as directed by the principal
- Perform other duties as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS GUIDE:

Qualifications: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required.

Education & Experience:

- Any combination equivalent to graduation from high school
- Bachelor's degree and MN teaching license in content area
- Two (2) years of experience working with students with learning and emotional/behavioral needs preferred

Other Qualifications:

- Bilingualism in Spanish and English preferred
- State and federal background clearance (Trusted Employees) to work with students (123B.03).
- No prospective employee can report to work without this clearance being received and the Human Resources Manager notifying the immediate supervisor of this clearance.

Knowledge:

- Knowledge of child development and developmentally appropriate learning experiences for children
- Knowledge of applicable school policies and procedures

Acquired Skills:

- Well-developed, clear communication and interpersonal skills that maintain a respectful, professional, and courteous manner
- Conflict resolution skills
- Ability to work with diverse student populations

Abilities:

- Team player
- Love of learning – a lifelong learner
- Flexibility and adaptability
- Able to communicate effectively and regularly with the grade level team and/or principal regarding questions and concerns
- Organized
- Openness to differing views and objectives
- Excellent judgment in decision making
- Maintain confidentiality of sensitive and privileged information
- Determine appropriate action within clearly defined guidelines
- Work independently with little direction

Physical Demands:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

- Hearing and speaking to exchange information
- Dexterity of hands and fingers to demonstrate activities
- Seeing, to read a variety of materials
- Bending at the waist, kneeling or crouching
- Sitting or standing for extended periods
- Lifting objects that weigh up to 25 pounds with or without assistance
- Close vision and ability to adjust focus

Work Environment:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions.

- Classroom environment
- Noise level is generally moderate
- Work conducted in a public or office setting
- Indoor in varying temperature
- Employees must have reliable transportation

Anti-Discrimination Policy and Commitment to Diversity:

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