



Mustard Seed School

Teacher (1st - 3rd grade)

40 hours per week with paid benefits

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 3:30pm

This is a 10 month position with summers off.

\$23 - \$25 per hour

As a program of Sacramento Loaves & Fishes, Mustard Seed School is an emergency school for children experiencing homelessness. Children in grades preschool through eighth grade can attend school and receive no-barrier educational services in an environment of welcome, hospitality, and compassion.

The 1st - 3rd grade Teacher works to create and maintain a beautiful, inclusive, Montessori classroom. Along with a volunteer teaching assistant, the Teacher works to cultivate an environment that fosters a love of learning, independence, and peace. The teachers in this classroom recognize the dignity, individuality, and capability of all children with the philosophy of meeting the whole child where they are.

Position responsibilities:

- Plan and implement daily lessons for students in grades 1-3.
- Structure and maintain developmentally appropriate educational experiences in the classroom using Montessori methods such as storytelling, jobs, and other activities.
- Assist with student academic assessments and maintain accurate student files.
- Implementation of existing socio-emotional curriculum (Toolbox Project)
- Maintain a clean, safe, nurturing classroom environment.
- Assist with transportation of students in school vans as needed.
- Build and maintain positive relationships with parents, children, and staff.
- Work collaboratively with school staff, including but not limited to, attending and fully participating in weekly staff meetings, retreats, and special events.
- Maintain knowledge of the Montessori method and philosophy as well as current research, developments, and best practices in early childhood education.
- Plan age-appropriate field trips.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Required skills and Qualifications

- 12 units of Early Childhood Education and Bachelor's degree; preferred.
- Must have previous experience working with children.
- Experience in a Montessori classroom setting; preferred.
- Be compassionate, professional, respectful, and flexible.
- Committed to working with children and families experiencing homelessness.
- Ability to meet physical and emotional needs; be attentive to the "whole child".

- Ability to collaborate and communicate with teachers, support staff, and parents.
- Excellent organizational skills.
- Possess classroom experience with a wide range of ability levels.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Ability to work with children and to communicate in ways students will understand.
- Have understanding of and ability to use positive discipline techniques.
- Demonstrates a commitment to Loaves and Fishes' mission and philosophy.

Physical Requirements:

- Prolonged periods standing and walking throughout the classroom.
- Must be able to lift up to 45 pounds at a time.
- Must be able to sit and stand on the floor throughout the day, ie: bend, kneel, or squat to be at eye level with children.

Other Requirements:

- Must have CA Driver's license, good driving record
- Pass California/FBI fingerprint-based background check
- Have current TB test

To apply please submit resume and cover letter to Human Resources by email: hr@sacloaves.org or by fax to (916) 446-9376

This position will remain open until filled.

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