

Early Childhood Teacher (Age 1 through Pre-K3)

Reports to: Director of Early Childhood

Full-time | Position from August 8, 2020 to June 1, 2021 | Exempt

St. George's Episcopal School is a coeducational, independent school serving approximately 370 students from age one through eighth grade and employing approximately 100 faculty and staff. Here, each child grows academically, creatively, emotionally and spiritually while developing a sense of self-worth and moral responsibility. This is a family-like atmosphere of care and concern with a highly trained and dedicated faculty. Educational excellence at St. George's begins with the simple premise that each child is unique—that is, each child's strengths are worth cultivating and celebrating, and each child's challenges are worth identifying and embracing, for only then will grit and perseverance accompany growth and development. This is why our graduates develop into lifelong learners and consequently find acceptance and success in the finest high schools in New Orleans. This is also why our parents, grandparents, alumni, friends and students have an enduring love for the school.

Position Summary

St. George's Episcopal School is searching for an experienced, enthusiastic and creative Early Childhood teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. St. George's is seeking candidates who demonstrate a growth mindset and possess strong verbal and written communication skills. Candidates who are organized, patient, flexible, warm, energetic and engaging are likely to be successful team members at St. George's. The classroom teacher will work alongside another full-time lead teacher. Classroom teachers take on all responsibilities of the classroom and are responsible for mentoring and guiding assistant classroom teachers.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Supervise and monitor the safety of children in your care
- Prepare meals and organize mealtimes and snacks for children
- Help children keep good hygiene; change the diapers of toddlers and teach handwashing skills
- Participate in potty training
- Organize activities or implement a curriculum that allows children to learn about the world and explore interests
- Develop schedules and routines to ensure that children have enough physical activity, rest, and playtime
- Listen to children, reflect and documents children's processes and their work; keep records of children's progress, routines, and interest
- Communicates effectively with parents and establishes a team approach with the child's family
- Display a warm and nurturing character that supports the applicant's ability to connect with young children and their families
- Shows dedication to social, emotional and character development of each child; watch for signs of emotional or developmental problems in children and bring the problems to the attention of parents
- Understands the environment the applicant creates is an important teaching tool

- Set learning goals that are integrated within a child-centered curriculum for each child, develop appropriate challenging curriculum to meet the needs of the students, and provide a variety of ongoing assessments
- Understands child development, latest education theories and practices and current trends in education and professional development.

Qualification Requirements

- Bachelors degree required
- One year of experience with young children
- Proficient in Google Docs and iPad as a communication tool
- Experience with or appreciation for project/constructivist learning approach, Reggio Emila philosophy and an ability to integrate real-life learning experiences into the curriculum
- Ability and willingness to differentiate instruction for students
- Excellent knowledge of child development, the latest education theories and practices, and current trends in education.
- Comfortable sitting on the floor and lifting up to 30lbs
- A growth mindset
- Warm and nurturing character that supports the applicant's ability to connect with young children and their families
- Dedication to social-emotional and character development of each child
- Exceptional interpersonal skills and ability to work with parents, children, and coworkers
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- A sense of integrity, ethics and ability to carry out responsibilities in accordance with the school's policies and procedures

St. George's Episcopal School as an Equal Opportunity Employer

St. George's aims to employ a collaborative, creative, joyful and diverse faculty and staff. We hire without consideration to race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status, disability or any other category protected by applicable law. We are committed to an inclusive school culture and to recruiting and hiring faculty of diverse backgrounds and experience.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter detailing their educational philosophy and resumé to the Director of Early Childhood, Mrs. Hayley Harang, at Hayley.Harang@stgnola.org