



Middle School Innovation & Technology Associate Teacher

Open Window School has an excellent opportunity for an individual to support grades 5-8 curriculum and instruction as an Innovation & Technology Associate Teacher in our fully outfitted Innovation & Technology Lab, a state-of-the-art innovation facility and fabrication lab for twenty-first century learning.

The Middle School Innovation & Technology Associate Teacher will assist in teaching technology, computer science, engineering design, and maker skills, as well as collaborate with faculty to design and coordinate interdisciplinary activities to promote innovative learning. The ideal candidate will have a passion for making, design thinking, project-based learning, and STEM education as well as experience or interest in working in a student-centered, collaborative, and inquiry-based educational environment.

Requirements include:

Applicants must meet these requirements to be considered for the position.

- Associate's or Bachelor's Degree
- Experience working with middle school students (preferred)
- An interest in project-based learning, design thinking, and STEM education
- Facility at mastering and teaching technology and techniques
- Creative, resourceful, adaptive, and flexible

Well-qualified candidates will have the following:

- Experience with intellectually gifted children
- Experience with robotics, digital fabrication, electronics, hand/power tools, media production, and/or computer science

Though many of our Associate Teachers hold a teaching certificate, it is not required.

Start Date: August 24, 2016

Expectations Include:

- Build students' confidence and self-esteem as you come to know them as learners and individuals
- Practice and model respect for individual differences, learning styles and rates of learning
- Encourage the development of shared community values, such as honesty, kindness and respect
- Maintain a cordial, flexible, and professional relationship with colleagues

Primary duties include, but are not limited to:

- Assist with the teaching of grades 5-8 technology courses with a focus on computer programming, physical computing, engineering design, and making
- Work collaboratively with teachers to develop integrated projects that incorporate principles of innovation and design into curriculum; co-lead and co-teach with teachers in the lab and classroom
- Assist with the organization, maintenance, and inventory of hardware, software, and other materials in the Innovation & Technology Lab
- Support classes, students, and teachers that use the Innovation & Technology Lab, ensuring safety of all makers in the space

- Develop and lead after school teams and activities for student enrichment (robotics team, maker club, coding club, etc.).
- Supervise the playground, implementing recess rules and discipline
- Supervise lunch, transitions and study halls during the school-day
- Attend required in service days, meetings, seminars and training sessions
- Attend and participate in school events
- Participate in frequent field trips (all grades) and annual overnight hallmark experience
- Participate in class meetings and other community building activities
- Maintain a high level of professionalism and confidentiality
- Engage in self-assessment and work toward professional goals
- Assume the Lead Innovation & Technology Teacher role when necessary

Auxiliary Programs:

The Middle School Innovation & Technology Associate Teacher plays an important role in our technology auxiliary programs. Auxiliary programs are generally held after school from 3:30-4:30 or 5:00 and have previously included programs such as: Girls in Technology; eCybermission; Lego Robotics; and, Coding Club. Additional opportunities to coach or lead auxiliary programs in other areas of expertise or passion may also be available.

Compensation & Benefits:

- This is an exempt, faculty position, not eligible for overtime.
- Base pay \$25,500 (paid \$2,500/month September-June)
- Auxiliary Programs paid \$30/hour (generally \$750-1200 per month leading 2-3 programs)
- Associate Teachers may also have the opportunity to teach during the summer program (\$1,000 per week, for up to 5 weeks)
- This position qualifies for Open Window's generous benefits package, including employer paid medical, dental, and vision benefits.

To Apply:

Applicants should submit a cover letter describing their interest in and qualifications for this position, a resume, and three professional references. No phone calls, please.

Email: jobs@ows.org

Subject Line: ITAT2016 – "your last name"

Applicants who do not use the specific subject line will not be able to be considered for the position.

Applications will be reviewed when the hiring for the 2016-17 school year begins in the spring. Please check our Employment Opportunities page at www.openwindowsschool.org to see our current list of available positions.