Special Education Teacher Assistant/(Ed Tech III Certified) MULTIPLE POSITIONS - August 26, 2024 Start date

Fiddlehead School of Arts and Sciences is one of Maine's first approved public charter schools. We are located in Gray, Maine, and serve students grades Pre-K through eighth grade. Our unique Reggio Emilia-inspired, the child-centered curriculum emphasizes the growth of children academically, socially, emotionally, and artistically.

We are looking for several experienced and confident TA to support all aspects of classroom learning & behaviors and will be placed directly with lead teacher in each classroom. Assistant teachers perform both instructional and non-instructional duties including, but not limited to:

- Facilitate learning through the whole group, small group, and possible individual support of students.
- Carry out IEP and 504 accommodations.
- Support the academic and behavioral needs of students, including implementation of

PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) and RTI (Response to Intervention).

- Help lead teacher carries out curriculum and instruction.
- Seek professional growth through reading, attending workshops, or completing coursework.
- Participate in all in-house professional development, including meetings, training, and annual professional growth and evaluation process.
- Work with General Education Lead Teacher and/or Special Education Teacher to collect and analyze student assessment data.
- Attend parent-teacher conferences and other class or school functions outside of regular school hours.
- Reinforce school policies and rules and maintain appropriate safety procedures.
- Perform other position-related duties as assigned by the lead teacher, Special Education Director, or Principal.

We are seeking a candidate who, at a minimum, possesses the following:

- A minimum of two years working in an elementary school setting.
- Experience working with students with moderate special needs, and a desire to work with this population.
- The mental, physical, and emotional health to carry out the position of Special Education TA/Ed Tech III.
- A commitment to equity and high expectations for all students, including the ability to contribute to a safe, respectful learning community.
- Professional behavior that addresses job responsibilities, policies, and procedures.
- A desire and ability to partner with families, including effective and sensitive communication.

Qualifications-Required:

- Hold appropriate credentials- Special Education Educational Technician I, II, III or Teacher Certification
- Current authorization to work in the United States- candidates must have such authorization by their first day of employment.

Qualifications- Preferred:

- Experience as a Special Education OR General Education Assistant Teacher, Ed Tech, or teacher for at least 3 years in an elementary or middle school setting
- Experience supporting students with special needs, including providing IEP accommodations.
- Experience in rural schools.
- Hold a bachelor's degree, a plus.
- BHP certification a plus.
- Autism spectrum experience a plus.

BENEFITS

- Competitive Salary
- Healthcare Insurance
- Professional Development
- Supportive Work Environment

If you are interested in this position, please respond directly to Jacinda Cotton-Castro with your cover letter and resume.

Email to: jacinda@fiddleheadschool.org

Fiddlehead School provides equal employment opportunities (EOE) to all employees and applicants for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or genetics.

Maine State Law requires ALL school employees to be fingerprinted and pass a Criminal History Record Check (CHRC). A copy of your CHRC MUST be uploaded as part of your application to be considered.