

Grade 5 Social Studies /Science Teacher

Houston Academy, Dothan, AL

Job Description:

Houston Academy is a premier independent, college preparatory school located in Dothan, AL. A Grade 5 teacher at Houston Academy, first and foremost, loves children. As a teacher in the HA Middle School, the teacher has daily responsibility for the social, emotional, and educational well-being of children in his or her care. Consequently, any Houston Academy Middle School teacher strives to have a child-centered classroom at all times and should be willing to do whatever is necessary, both inside and outside the school day, to impact the lives of our children. The Grade 5 Social Studies and Science teacher should also be an expert in his or her field and should understand the nature of academic inquiry. The teacher should be a lifelong learner who has a passion for that which he or she teaches.

Requirements:

Any Middle School teacher must possess a minimum of a four-year degree in the field in which he or she teaches. He/she should be an outstanding teacher with a recognized record of success in the classroom.

Job Duties:

- To plan, prepare and deliver instructional activities that facilitate active learning experiences;
- To develop schemes of work and lesson plans;
- To provide a variety of learning materials and resources for use in educational activities;
- To identify and select different instructional resources and methods to meet students' varying needs;
- To design and execute hands-on learning activities, especially in the Science classroom;
- To instruct and monitor students in the use of learning materials and equipment;
- To use relevant technology to support instruction;
- To observe and evaluate student's performance and development;
- To assign and grade class work, homework, tests and assignments and to design such assessment in a way that allows students to operate on higher levels of Bloom's Taxonomy;
- To provide appropriate and timely feedback on student work;
- To encourage and monitor the progress of individual students;
- To maintain accurate and complete records of students' progress and development;
- To update all necessary records accurately and completely as required by law and by school regulation;
- To prepare required reports on students and activities;
- To manage student behavior in the classroom by establishing and enforcing rules and procedures;
- To maintain discipline in accordance with the rules and disciplinary systems of the school;
- To apply appropriate disciplinary measures where necessary;
- To perform certain pastoral duties including student support, counseling students with academic problems, and providing encouragement;
- To participate in extracurricular activities such as social activities, sporting activities, clubs and student organizations;
- To participate in divisional meetings, school meetings, and parent meetings;
- To communicate necessary information regularly to students, colleagues, and parents regarding student progress and student needs;
- To keep updated with developments in subject area, teaching resources and methods and make relevant changes to instructional plans and activities;
- To perform other duties as assigned by the Head of Middle School or Head of School; and
- To support the school and its leadership at all times.

Salary will be commensurate with degree level and teaching experience.

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