

5th Grade Teacher



About WNS

Williamsburg Northside School (WNS), a growing co-educational, progressive N-8 institution located in Brooklyn, New York, with an enrollment of just over 360 students, has two campuses: the preschool campus for 2s and 3s and just a few blocks away, the PK-8 campus (willnorth.org). Stemming from the Reggio roots planted in its long-running preschool program, Northside takes a decidedly student-centric approach to learning that puts autonomy, self-discovery, and iterative practice front and center. It blends a robust, project-based environment with the most innovative and proven curricular approaches from around the world. Inspired by its motto, *Aude Quaerere*, dare to ask, Northside is dedicated to sparking a lifelong love of learning, and showcasing that effective collaboration, generosity of spirit, and pure intellectual curiosity not only leads to success but to significance and a greater sense of purpose.

The Position

Williamsburg Northside School seeks a dynamic, innovative, and passionate full-time Fifth Grade teacher to be a member of the school's Middle School. This full-time, 10-month position is responsible for collaborating with faculty and staff to teach in support of the school's mission and curricular goals and will report to the Director of Teaching and Learning and Head of Pre-K - 8. The ideal candidate possesses creative problem-solving skills, a sense of humor, enthusiasm for designing innovative curriculum, a positive attitude toward change and strong interpersonal skills that allow one to cooperate and collaborate effectively with others.

Major Duties & Responsibilities

- Plan and implement motivating lessons in Literacy, Math, Social Studies, which reflect knowledge of curriculum and students' interests and abilities.
- Serve as a classroom teacher to a group of 10-14 students.
- Implement rules for behavior and classroom procedures and routines.
- Evaluate students' performance, including academic, behavioral and social-emotional.
- Prepare student reporting, which includes narrative descriptions of students' achievements and needs.
- Engage respectfully with families and demonstrate sensitivity to cultures, values, configurations, and beliefs.
- Communicate regularly with families about classroom happenings and student progress.

- Demonstrate a passion for lifelong learning and actively pursue professional development rooted in individual and schoolwide goals.
- Demonstrates a desire to meaningfully integrate technology into the classroom.
- Updates curriculum and materials as needed.
- Participate in the school community, including faculty and committee work, and school duties.
- Promote respect for diversity, equity, and inclusion as a core value of the School, a shared responsibility in partnership with the school community.

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

- Knowledge of child development, best practices, and current trends in education.
- Demonstrated classroom management skills, including time, space, and materials for most effective learning.
- Experience in differentiated instruction.
- Creativity and innovation in both curriculum and instruction; ability to incorporate 21st century skills.
- Capable of generating high quality instructional materials.
- Outstanding interpersonal, organizational and communication skills.
- Ability to integrate technology effectively into classroom instruction to enhance student learning.
- Skilled in creating a learning environment that is challenging, motivating, and age-appropriate.

Qualifications

- Bachelor of Elementary Education degree preferred.
- Master Degree of Elementary Education preferred.

Application Information

- Please apply by sending your resume, cover letter, a one-page educational philosophy statement, and names of three references to wjobs@willnorth.org. Williamsburg Northside School welcomes candidates who will add to the diversity of our community and who have demonstrated commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion in their teaching and learning.

Williamsburg Northside School is an equal opportunity employer. WNS has an ongoing commitment to the principles and practices of diversity and inclusiveness and strongly encourages applications from candidates who would enhance the diversity of the school's administration and faculty.