## JUDAIC STUDIES TEACHER

**The Position:** SJCS seeks to hire a K-5 Judaic Studies Teacher for the start of the 2022-2023 / 5783 school year. This position is a 1.0 FTE and is supervised by the Director of Jewish Learning and Life and Head of School. SJCS is unaffiliated with any specific Jewish movement but draws from a broad millenia of Jewish critical thinking and learning.

**Core Responsibilities:** Working as a member of the school's faculty and in collaboration with all stakeholders, the Judaic Studies Teacher will :

- Work with the Director of Jewish Learning and Life to develop and deliver age-appropriate curricula in the following subjects:
  - Torah and traditions of Torah Commentary
  - Jewish Values and Texts
  - *T'filah* (prayer), traditions and related teachings
  - Jewish Holidays
  - Jewish History
  - Israel
- Create a context of understanding of the global, multiracial, multiethnic history of the Jewish people and the diverse traditions that have thrived in Israel and across the diaspora
- Cooperate with the Hebrew Specialist to integrate Hebrew into all aspects of teaching Judaic Studies as much as possible
- Present a vigorous social-emotional curriculum inclusive of
  - Establishing positive and productive relationships with students
  - Emphasizing clear, kind, and respectful communication to ensure safe physical and emotional environments within class, school, the school community, and the community at large
  - Utilizing the school-wide social-emotional frameworks to teach competencies and manage behavioral expectations
  - Advancing the school's focus within the curriculum on diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging
- Work with the Learning Specialist on student assessments
- Undertake administrative duties efficiently and effectively including writing student reports, planning field trips, communicating with parents, setting up and maintaining inviting classrooms, etc.
- Participate in professional learning, set aside faculty & staff time together, community events, committee work, and partnership with other faculty members on shared lessons / projects / activities

## **Qualifications:**

- Ideal candidates must possess a Bachelor's or post-Bachelor's degree in a related field
- At least two years of working in a primary or elementary school
- A passion for teaching, love of learning, enthusiasm for collaboration, along with a commitment to child-centered pedagogical practices with a healthy dose of fun
- Strong oral, written, and non-verbal communication, nurtured by curiosity and conviction

- Proficiency in Hebrew strongly preferred
- Sustained commitment to the practices of self-reflection, collegiality, and professionalism
- An explorer's mentality with appreciation for flexibility, experimentation, reconsideration, and good humor
- Readiness to make mistakes and learn from them, along with others who do the same

SJCS offers competitive pay, extended vacation time, and excellent benefits **Qualified candidates should submit their cover letter and resume to** <u>jobs@sjcs.net</u>