



# Lower School Fifth-Grade Math Lead Teacher Start Date: August 2022



Lower School Campus (Nursery-Grade 5) • 228 Old Gulph Road • Wynnewood, PA 19096  
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## **Friends' Central School Overview**

Friends' Central School is an independent, coeducational Quaker day school founded in 1845 and serving approximately 800 students in Nursery through grade 12. Located in the Philadelphia suburbs, the School has two campuses. The Middle & Upper Schools are located just outside of West Philadelphia in Wynnewood, and the Lower School is on our Old Gulph Road campus in the heart of Wynnewood.

The exceptional faculty at Friends' Central offers a curriculum that cultivates the intellectual, spiritual, and ethical growth of our students. Our pedagogy is grounded in continuing revelation, reflection, integrity, and a willingness to accept responsibility. From Nursery to grade 12, our students participate in a process designed to foster creative, critical, and flexible thinking, along with compassion. As they transform from playful children to skilled, self-possessed teenagers, they are always intellectually curious and engaged thinkers. Friends' Central prepares graduates to succeed in college and in life.

## **Lower School Fifth-Grade Math Lead Teacher**

Friends' Central School seeks a fifth-grade math lead teacher for a full-time position beginning in August 2022. Ideal candidates will demonstrate knowledge of and experience in hands-on and integrated learning; be highly motivated, hard-working, collaborative, and flexible; demonstrate a desire to learn; show initiative; and have a sense of humor. This position is a 10-month, exempt position and will be under the supervision of the Lower School Principal.

In addition to having the required professional and educational background, we seek an enthusiastic, energetic candidate.

### **Essential functions of the role include:**

- Serve as a homeroom teacher for one fifth-grade section
- Teach two sections of fifth-grade math using our math curriculum, Context for Learning Math
- Create and administer pre-assessments before each unit to inform teaching and learning
- Differentiate math lessons and investigations based on abilities within classroom
- Collaborate with the fifth-grade lead literacy teacher to craft meaningful social studies curriculum throughout the school year and carry out that planned curriculum with a homeroom section
- Partner with the student support team and outside support providers as necessary to promote student success
- Coordinate transition activities for fifth graders moving to Middle School
- Lead an overnight trip in the spring
- Demonstrate knowledge of and experience in hands-on, experiential learning and integrated learning
- Have an understanding of how to teach thematically and partner with resources and experts on campus to bring thematic teaching to life, like our Light Lab Director
- Build community within the classroom and demonstrate clear and affirming classroom management
- Develop positive working relationships with students

- Supervise students in the lunchroom and at recess
- Participate in Lower School committee work
- Communicate meaningfully to families on a regular basis so they have a window into the classroom and understand their child's achievement and growth on an ongoing basis
- Craft thoughtful report cards twice a year and conduct thorough parent conference in the fall and spring for each student
- Demonstrate a commitment to diversity and inclusivity
- Understand and be committed to the School's Quaker values and mission

**Qualifications:**

- At least 3-5 years of teaching, preferably in upper elementary grades and/or with math focus
- Bachelor's Degree in a related field (advanced degree preferred)
- Demonstrated knowledge of current research around teaching and learning
- Familiarity with Context for Learning Math and training in Responsive Classroom a plus

Interested candidates should send a resume, cover letter, and three references to [careers@friendscentral.org](mailto:careers@friendscentral.org).

*Currently, Friends' Central requires COVID-19 vaccines for all faculty, staff, and students. There will be limited exemptions for medical or religious reasons.*

*Friends' Central School seeks candidates with a commitment to fostering an inclusive learning community who will address issues of diversity, as well as enhance the Philosophy of Inclusivity and Awareness articulated in our [Diversity Statement](#).*

