

Palos 118

Palos 118 is located approximately 25 miles southwest of Chicago. The district enrolls approximately 2,000 total students in three schools: Palos East Elementary School (K-5), Palos West Elementary School (PreK-5), and Palos South Middle School (6-8). The district serves 19 square miles of suburban Cook County including the Village of Palos Park, the western portion of the City of Palos Heights, the southern reaches of the City of Palos Hills, and adjacent unincorporated areas. Located adjacent to the Cook County Forest Preserves, Palos 118 provides an idyllic setting for children to attend school.

Palos 118 is a high-achieving school district where students routinely outperform their peers at the state and national levels. One of its schools was recently named a National Blue Ribbon School for educational excellence. The school district embraces the Professional Learning Community philosophy in which all staff members work together to continuously improve student outcomes. The school district is governed by an award-winning school board that is student-centered and supportive of staff.

The Palos School Community is engaged and active in its schools. The Parent Faculty Association, Educational Foundation, and Music Parents Association provide financial support and programming that give students expanded opportunities in addition to the comprehensive educational program provided by the school district.

Palos South Middle School

Palos South Middle School is one of the highest-performing middle schools in south suburban Cook County and the State of Illinois. The school enrolls approximately 700 students in a modern facility conducive to teaching and learning. The staff is comprised of approximately 85 teachers and support personnel. Palos South attracts high-quality professionals and is a destination district for educators in the region. To learn more about Palos South, please visit the school's website at south.palos118.org.

Assistant Principal Candidates

The Board of Education is seeking candidates for the position of Assistant Principal at Palos South Middle School. This is a 12-month position that provides a flexible work schedule during school breaks and summer recess. The ideal candidate is someone with a proven record of building strong relationships with students, parents, and colleagues. Experience working with Professional Learning Communities is desirable.

Job Duties

- Assist the Principal in the daily operation of the school including but not limited to leading staff in results-driven practices to improve student outcomes for all learners and ensure an engaging and safe learning environment.

Required Qualifications:

- Professional Educator Licenses (PEL) with General Administrative Kindergarten through Grade 12 Endorsement.
- Completed state-mandated training to perform teacher evaluations.

Preferred Characteristics:

- Experience working with middle school students.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Ability to build and maintain strong collaborative relationships with students, staff, and the school community.
- Management style that embraces the philosophy of shared leadership.
- Commitment to continuous improvement of student outcomes and school performance.
- Knowledge of or experience with Professional Learning Communities.
- Knowledge of or experience with English language learning.

Salary and Benefits:

Competitive compensation and benefits package commensurate with experience.

Start Date:

July 1, 2023

Application Procedure:

Only completed applications will be considered. Completed applications include:

- Completed online application
- Letter of Interest
- Resume
- Three (3) Letters of Recommendation
- Copy of Transcripts