Position Title: Physical Education Teacher, Lower School
Reports To: Head of Lower School
Campus: Ponte Vedra Beach
FSLA Classification: Exempt

This position will commence Aug 2024 for the 24-25 Academic Year

Best Apply Date: **By Feb 9**

Bolles proudly employs over 400 full time, part time and seasonal faculty, staff, coaches, and administrators. Serving over 1,700 students on our four campuses in Grades Pre-K through 12, Bolles has a rich history in tradition and achievement that extends to our hiring practices and the professionalism and respect garnered in the independent school community.

The lower school program at The Bolles School teaches children in Pre-Kindergarten through Grade 5 the wonder of learning in an intimate and innovative environment. Bolles’ students develop a sense of exploration and personal values that instill a sense of all that is possible throughout their academic and personal lives as they progress through to middle school on the School’s Bartram Campus, then move on to the Bolles upper school and beyond. Students receive a firm foundation in reading skills, writing, math, science, and social studies from a dedicated and caring faculty. The curriculum is based on hands-on learning, which emphasizes activities to teach the importance of exploring and experimenting.

**Position Purpose:** Instructs students in Pre-K thru 5th grade in Physical Education activities. This position will work collaboratively with other Physical Education Teachers at the Whitehurst Campus.

**Essential Functions:**

- Plans PE program to promote development of students’ fine and gross motor skills as well as social skills
- Adapts teaching methods and instructional materials to meet students’ varying needs and interests
- Plans and conducts activities for a balanced program of instruction, demonstration, and practice time that provides students with opportunities to observe, question, and investigate
- Employs innovative instructional strategies to expand the campus PE programming
- Establishes clear objectives for all lessons and communicates those objectives to students
- Teaches individual and team sports skills, utilizing knowledge of sports techniques and physical capabilities of students
- Meets with teachers, parents, and guardians to discuss children’s progress, and determine their priorities and resource needs
- Collaborates with other teachers and administrators in the development, evaluation, and revision of PE programs
- Keeps attendance and grade records as required by the School
- Make full use of professional development opportunities (further education, reading, workshops, conferences, etc.) and demonstrate creative initiative in keeping current to the discipline of Physical Education.
Qualifications:

- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university in related subject required
- Minimum three years’ experience teaching elementary aged children in a school setting – preferably Physical Education.
- Excellent verbal and written communications skills
- Demonstrated leadership and facilitation skills
- Demonstrated organizational skills
- **Must be Lifeguard Certified (training will be provided if necessary)**
- Must have a CDL or be willing to obtain one within the first Semester of work
- **Must be willing to Coach at least one unit of Seasonal Coaching at either Bolles Middle or High School – preferably Wrestling, Lacrosse or Softball.**

General:

- Demonstrate and enthusiastically support the School’s Mission
- Perform in a manner that reflects positively on The Bolles School
- Communicate well and work effectively with all school personnel and families, as well as with the larger business and educational community
- Perform other duties as requested

Physical Requirements:

- Works in a noisy, fast paced environment both indoors and outdoors
- Must be able to lift up to 45 pounds at times
- This position requires ability to stand/walk for long periods of time, run, and play with children
- Work intermittently in outside weather conditions, including heat and cold
- Working in and/or around the swimming pool for (2) three-week swim units
- Must be able to access and navigate all areas of the school and other facilities as needed