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Playhouse Preschool Teacher

Montgomery School, an independent, co-educational day school serving preschool through grade eight in Chester Springs, PA, is seeking a caring, nurturing and reliable staff member to join our team! Montgomery School's Playhouse preschool program created by SALT Performing Arts is in search of a dedicated, classroom teacher for the 2024-25 school year. This is a purpose-filled job opportunity for someone looking to make a great impact on the lives of children in a beautifully, positive environment. Candidates for this position should be energetic team players, ambitious, hardworking, and effective at connecting and communicating with students, faculty, and the community.

We are seeking qualified applicants who will:

- Plan, implement, instruct, document, and revise initial core curriculum for the following subjects, as well as support the cross-curricular approach that infuses the performing arts:
 - Social and Emotional Expression
 - Language and Literacy
 - Mathematical Expression
 - Science and Discovery
 - Artistic Expression
 - Dramatic/Imaginative Play
- Provide a loving, nurturing, and safe school environment for both students and parents
- Design a classroom space to include the same comforts of home while at the same time providing a space conducive to a group learning experience
- Develop a trusting and loving relationship with class parents by providing consistent, ongoing communication and a warm personality
- Establish effective classroom management routines based on the Playhouse's mission of love and kindness so as to maintain order among the students for whom they are responsible
- Maintain consistent communication with the Playhouse Director through weekly meetings, as well as other staff meetings as indicated

Hours for the position are Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 12:45 PM when school is in session, September–June. As appropriate, an option exists to add responsibilities which may make this a full-time position.

Qualified applicants will possess:

- Solid teaching skills, including knowledge/experience in the following areas:
 - Student differentiation
 - Backward curriculum design
 - Social and emotional development
- A love of teaching children and willingness to embrace an unconventional preschool curriculum model
- Flexibility, fun energy, dynamic enthusiasm, and fearlessness to "go big" in the classroom (i.e. puppetry, character voices, use of songs and rhymes to reinforce academic concepts, etc.)
- A team-oriented spirit, and the ability to connect meaningfully with students throughout our diverse community
- Bachelor's degree
- Classroom or other related teaching experience in the early childhood setting
- Experience with the theatrical performing arts is strongly desired

Application

Montgomery School is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively seeks to forward diversity through its programs and hiring. Interested applicants should contact Kelly Kunsch at <u>kkunsch@montgomeryschool.org</u>. No phone inquiries please.

About Montgomery School

An independent school founded in 1915, Montgomery School provides a supportive and stimulating environment for 250 students in Preschool through grade eight. The school is known for its commitment to the whole child with a strong academic program and its willingness to challenge students with high standards in a balanced, well-rounded program.