



Now Hiring:

1ST GRADE TEACHER

New City School is a progressive independent school serving approximately 330 students, ages 3 - 6th Grade. New City inspires children to engage joyfully in learning and achieve academic excellence while cultivating their personal strengths and passions. We empower our students to build community and advocate for a more just and equitable world. Inside our red doors, we believe there are “so many ways to be smart” and teachers are architects of an interdisciplinary curriculum. Our five-acre campus has ample opportunities for students to learn and explore outdoors and is uniquely positioned within the city of St. Louis, in walking distance of Forest Park, enabling students to learn both inside and outside the classroom.

Grade level teams collaborate closely, planning instruction and memorable grade level experiences together. Each 1st Grade class has approximately 12-14 students. To complement the 1st Grade program, students also receive instruction from specialists in music, visual arts, science, Spanish, library, bodily-kinesthetic, and technology.

We are seeking a joyful, creative, and thoughtful practitioner to join our collaborative first grade team, beginning in August 2025. A bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education or a related field is required; a master’s degree and teaching certificate or credential is preferred. A minimum of 3 years of teaching experience is also required. Teachers at our school see themselves as lifelong learners, responsible for creating unique and hands-on learning experiences for their students.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Display a passion for teaching and nurturing the whole child
- Connect and interact with a diverse population of students, families and faculty and exhibit a deep appreciation and understanding of diversity in all its forms
- Teach children based on a solid understanding of child development, while teaming with the other 1st grade teachers
- Have knowledge of or experience in some or all of the following: Responsive Classroom, Think Mathematics (Singapore Math), Workshop Model, and Foundations
- Use formative and summative assessment to inform instruction and iterate lessons
- Create a learning environment that facilitates collaboration, compassion for others and independence
- Instruct students individually and in small/whole group settings, utilizing various teaching methods including the Multiple Intelligences approach
- Communicates comfortably with parents and caregivers through email, written progress reports, and conferences



- Display strong interpersonal and collaboration skills with the ability to communicate effectively and respectfully with all constituents
- Engage in ongoing curriculum development, curriculum design, and bring creativity to the daily learning experiences
- Articulate the principles of inclusion, equity, and justice, both in the classroom and beyond
- Demonstrate excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Show a strong commitment to professional learning and growth
- Exhibit strong professional skills including discretion, judgment, and integrity
- Invest in the life of the school by participating in collaborative planning sessions, weekly staff meetings, and multidisciplinary team meetings
- Be technologically savvy in using Google applications

START DATE: August 2025, with professional development opportunities in the summer.

COMPENSATION: New City offers competitive compensation (commensurate with experience) and excellent benefits including professional development funds, generous medical, dental, vision, life and disability insurance, bereavement leave, paid parental leave, retirement benefits and tuition remission for children of faculty members.

TO APPLY: Please send a letter of interest, resume and list of three references (with name, relationship, phone number and email address for each; references will not be contacted without the candidate's permission) in one PDF to:

JANINE GORRELL, Early Elementary Division Head (jgorrell@newcityschool.org)

Please indicate "1st Grade Teacher" in the subject line. Candidates will be considered on a rolling basis through March 14th, 2025.

NEW CITY SCHOOL is a leading independent school located in St. Louis' historic Central West End neighborhood, enrolling approximately 330 students from age 3 through 6th Grade. Our teachers provide an education that is challenging yet developmentally appropriate and supportive, as they work to empower and encourage children to be active and engaged learners.

OUR MISSION: New City School inspires children to engage joyfully in learning and achieve academic excellence while cultivating their personal strengths and passions, and empowers their students to build community and advocate for a more just and equitable world.

At New City School, we recognize a diverse faculty and staff is a strength that impacts and enhances all aspects of our school. We celebrate our inclusive school environment and are eager to accept applications from candidates of all backgrounds and perspectives. New City School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status in any of its activities, hiring practices or operations.