Elementary Hebrew/Judaic (Tal Am) Teacher

Hillel Community Day School (www.hillelschool.org) of Rochester, NY has an opening for an energetic and skillful Judaic educator to join our team of outstanding teachers and students for the 2016-17 school year.

Job Summary: This is a full-time position teaching Hebrew and Judaic Studies to elementary students and providing support for our robust Judaic education program.

Our School: Hillel Community Day School (HCDS) is a Kindergarten to eighth grade school that is part of a wonderful tight-knit community. The HCDS faculty is committed to academic excellence. Our families are committed to day school education; our intellectually curious students love coming to school, and there is a high level of collaboration among the faculty and our community. We are conveniently located in the town of Brighton, a suburb of Rochester, New York, close to numerous thriving synagogues, kosher food purveyors, and a large Jewish Community Center. HCDS embraces diversity and welcomes students from every local congregation and the unaffiliated community. As our school continues to grow, we seek creative educators who enjoy being part of a team and who are committed to learning and using innovative teaching methodologies.

Our Ideal Candidate:

- Maintains excitement about and passion for the daily work of an educator
- Creates a dynamic and respectful learning environment
- Holds a Bachelor’s Degree (required); Master’s Degree preferred
- Fluency in Hebrew (REQUIRED) – both native and non-native Hebrew speakers welcome to apply
- Is experienced with TaL AM curriculum (PREFERRED)
- Is experienced with Blended learning classrooms
- Has a strong Jewish studies background including; Jewish history, Tanach, T’filah, Israel and Jewish values, ethics and culture
- Is interested in cognitive development, creativity and language acquisition
- Has an extensive knowledge of varied learners, accommodation and modification strategies.
- Values the contributions that technology can make to a child’s learning experience.
- Is a flexible thinker
- Values empathetic responses and warm interactions with students, families, colleagues, and community members.
- Possesses strong communication skills
- Is a team player who is willing to learn from and listen to others

Job Duties:

- Actively work to instill a love for Israel and Judaism in our students and families
- Skillfully teach selected classes to students in our Kindergarten through eighth grade school.
- Engage students in Jewish literacy practices and connect them to their own Jewish purposefulness and peoplehood.
- With other faculty members, lead holiday and religious observance in school, including daily prayer.
- Maintain the ‘community’ nature of Hillel Community Day School. Must hold a deep respect for multiple perspectives and for all levels of belief and practice. Must possess a willingness to serve as a role model for engaged, open, and joyful Jewish practice.
• Support diverse learners in and out of the classroom.
• Participate in the identification, selection and acquisitions of texts, materials, and supplies necessary to implement Judaic Studies instructional programs, in conjunction with our dedicated Tal Am curricula and Blended learning curriculum.
• Maintain frequent and strong communications with students and parents via documentation of grades and benchmarks.
• Attend all faculty meetings, Open House events, Holiday school events, appropriate CSE meetings, etc.
• Share in supervision duties outside of the classroom, including but not limited to: lunch and recess duties, after school bus supervision, before school supervision, and other duties as assigned.

We look forward to welcoming a new face to our community and encourage potential applicants to review our website www.hillelschool.org for more information about our community. Please send a resume, 3 letters of recommendation, and a cover letter that indicates the position of interest. These items should be emailed (subject line: Hebrew/Judaic Position) as an attachment to: cfreedman@hillelschool.org

Or sent via mail to:

Hillel Community Day School
Attn: Human Resources– (Hebrew/Judaic Position)
Hillel Community Day School
191 Fairfield Drive
Rochester, NY, 14620

Posting Date: 1/29/2016       Closing Date: 4/30/2016

HCDS is an Equal Opportunity Employer and welcomes candidates who add to our diverse community.