POSITION: Middle School Social Science/Language Arts Teacher

LOCATION: Pleasant Hill High School

QUALIFICATIONS: The District is seeking a professional educator to work at the middle school level teaching Social Science and Language Arts. We are seeking a candidate with a Master’s Degree.

REQUIREMENTS: Valid Oregon Teaching License with a Social Science and Language Arts Endorsement. Ability to pass drug screen if hired.


CLOSING DATE: June 10, 2020

INTERVIEWS: Finalists will be contacted for interviews

START DATE: August 24, 2020

TO APPLY: To be considered for this position, the application packet must include:
   1. Cover letter
   2. Current resume
   3. Oregon Teacher Application Form (available on our website at www.pleasanthill.k12.or.us)
      TalentEd Recruit and Hire Application is acceptable (https://pleasanthillor.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx)
   4. At least three current letters of recommendation
   5. Transcripts (unofficial) – official required upon hire
   6. Copy of license

Send completed application materials to: Pleasant Hill School District No. 1
   Attention: Posting #2021-008
   36386 Highway 58
   Pleasant Hill, OR 97455

Or email to: ceastburn@pleasanthill.k12.or.us

THIS POSITION IS OPEN TO CURRENT PLEASANT HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND TO CANDIDATES NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED BY THE DISTRICT. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY OR ALL APPLICATIONS AND TO NOT FILL THE POSITION OR TO POST IT AGAIN.

Pleasant Hill School District No. 1 is an equal opportunity educator and employer.
Job Title: Teacher – Social Studies – Middle School
Reports To: Principal
FLSA Status: Exempt

JOB SUMMARY

This position is responsible for providing educational services in social studies to a variety of students in a classroom setting. Instructs students, maintains student discipline, and is responsible for student academic achievement.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Essential duties of this position include the following. Employees in this position perform some or all of the following tasks. Other duties may be assigned.

1. Follows and maintains knowledge of all District policy(ies) and procedures.
2. Develops and maintains a classroom environment conducive to effective learning within the limits of the resources provided by the District.
3. Plans a program of study in social studies that meets the individual needs, interests, and abilities of students.
4. Makes learning visible through effective student engagement.
5. Integrates technology to support effective instruction, student learning, and classroom management.
6. Reflects on daily instruction and utilizes research-based best practices to modify practices for greater student outcomes and effective classroom management.
7. Plans and supervises purposeful assignments for teacher aide(s).
8. Assists in the selection of books, equipment, and other instructional materials.
9. Instructs students and assigns relevant homework.
10. Grades papers, assignments, and assessments promptly and accurately.
11. Prepares and administers subject/topical specific tests to measure student abilities and progress.
12. Prepares report cards and progress reports.
13. Facilitates conferences with students and parents.
14. Completes required paperwork in specified time and manner.
15. Designs and implements appropriate instruction of social studies in accordance with students' needs, District curriculum, and state standards.
16. Conducts appropriate assessments of students' work and maintains accurate and regular data on students in areas of attendance, grades, and IEP progress, if applicable.
17. Assists students with tracking assignments and managing behaviors.
18. Supervises students in hallways before, after and between classes, in library, at bus areas, and at special events, ensuring safety and security.
19. Assists the administration in implementing policies and rules governing student life and conduct.
20. Works to establish and maintain open lines of communication with students and their parents concerning the academic and behavioral progress of their students through conferences, written messages, telephone calls, and/or e-mail.
21. Uses a variety of instructional techniques and instructional media, consistent with the needs and capabilities of the individuals or student groups involved.
22. Assesses the accomplishments of students on a regular basis and maintains such records as required by law and by District policy.
23. Takes all responsible precautions to provide for health and safety of the students and to protect equipment, materials, and facilities.
25. Maintains appropriate certifications and training hours, as required.
26. Cooperates with other members of the staff in planning instructional goals, objectives, curriculum, and instructional methods.
27. Professionally represents the school and the District in interactions with parents, community, staff, and students.
28. Adheres to all standards established by Teachers Standards and Practices Commission for Competent and Ethical Educators.
29. Complies with applicable District, state, local, and federal laws, rules, and regulations.
30. Attends work regularly and is punctual.

MARGINAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
Marginal duties of this position include the following. Employees in this position perform some or all of the following tasks. Other duties may be assigned.

1. Attends in-service trainings.
2. Attends staff meetings.
3. Substitutes for other teachers, as necessary.
4. Participates in school and District level committees.
5. Reports issues to authorities as necessary, animal control, suspicious activity, etc.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES
May supervise and direct the work of educational assistants and/or teacher aide(s). All school employees have some responsibility for supervising students and assisting in maintaining a safe environment.

QUALIFICATIONS
To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- **Education and/or Experience:** Bachelor’s degree (B.A. or B.S.) required, Master’s degree (M.A. or M.S.) strongly preferred. Prior successful experience teaching adolescent students in a school setting strongly preferred.

- **Interpersonal Skills:** Works well with others from diverse backgrounds. Focuses on solving conflict, maintaining confidentiality, listening to others without interrupting, keeping emotions under control, remaining open to others’ ideas, and contributing to building a positive team spirit. Demonstrated ability to successfully work with and teach adolescent students.

- **Language Skills:** Ability to communicate fluently in English, both verbally and in writing. Ability to read, analyze, and interpret complex documents. Ability to respond effectively to the most sensitive inquiries or complaints. Ability to write speeches and articles using original or innovative techniques or style. Ability to make effective and persuasive speeches and presentations on controversial or complex topics to students.

- **Mathematical Skills:** Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, area, circumference, and volume. Ability to apply concepts of basic algebra and geometry.

- **Reasoning Ability:** Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to respond to situations in a proactive manner. Ability to interpret an extensive variety of technical instructions in mathematical or diagram form and deal with several abstract and concrete variables.

- **Computer Skills:** General knowledge of computer usage and ability to use e-mail, spreadsheets, internet and word processing software, and other software programs as determined by the District. Ability to type accurately and proficiently.

- **Other Skills and Abilities:** Demonstrated knowledge of child growth and development at each level of instruction and of the social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development of adolescent students. Possesses knowledge of effective behavior management methods. Ability to meet timelines and exercise good judgment while working in a dynamic environment.

- **Certificates, Licenses, Registrations:** Certificates as determined by the District. Must have a valid teacher’s license and Social Studies endorsement(s) through the Teachers Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) and a CPR/First Aid Card.
PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk and hear. The employee is frequently required to walk, stand, sit, use hands for fine manipulation, handle or feel, and reach with hands and arms using a keyboard and video display terminal. The employee is occasionally required to stoop, kneel, or crouch. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, ability to adjust focus, and peripheral vision.

Work Environment

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The work environment is a standard classroom setting. The noise level in the work environment is usually low to moderate, but occasionally high depending upon student population and activities. The employee is occasionally exposed to wet or humid conditions and/or outdoor weather conditions. The employee may be exposed to bloodborne pathogens.

OTHER

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Prepared By: OSBA Prepared Date: January 2019
Pleasant Hill School District
Job Description

Job Title: Teacher – Language Arts – Middle School
Reports To: Principal
FLSA Status: Exempt

JOB SUMMARY

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18. Assists the administration in implementing policies and rules governing student life and conduct.
19. Works to establish and maintain open lines of communication with students and their parents concerning the academic and behavioral progress of their students through conferences, written messages, telephone calls, and/or e-mail.
20. Promptly reports any serious accident or illness affecting students in the teacher's charge or any incident which might affect the school, teachers, or students therein.
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- **Mathematical Skills:** Ability to calculate figures and amounts such as discounts, interest, commissions, proportions, percentages, area, circumference, and volume. Ability to apply concepts of basic algebra and geometry.
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