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School Description

Mandala School Inc. is a not-for-profit private school in the village of East Aurora, NY. Our mission is to provide learning experiences that practice and promote democratic conduct, intrinsic motivation, critical thinking, acquisition of knowledge, community service, and environmental stewardship.

We have two school rules: Be kinder than you want to be and Don't interfere with learning.

Mandala School is an innovative learning environment dedicated to encouraging creativity, collaboration, and deep thinking. Our students are evaluated with respect to their development, individual interests, and general societal skills such as communication and problem solving ability. At Mandala School we view learning, communication, and problem solving as on-going evolution with constantly updated assessment. We don't need to halt learning to conduct formal testing; we know day to day what a child's skills and challenges are.

Our talented teachers focus on the individual needs and interests of children so they get excited about new concepts and solving problems. Students are encouraged to choose, within limits, what they want to learn so independent research starts at an early age. Choices are integrated with what they need to learn: reading, writing, mathematics.

Job Description

As a Mandala teacher intern, your primary responsibility will be to provide students with the guidance, support, and tools necessary for their own exploration and growth. While group units and topics of study are often implemented by the teachers, the general curriculum of the school is not time-dependent nor based on age. Teachers must be flexible and willing to collaborate with colleagues and the interests of students. Frequent communication amongst teachers ensures that every student receives individualized attention for each content area. Current events and student-led questions often guide educational themes for older students. Learning can thus lead us outside the classroom frequently. Mandala teachers actively integrate field trips throughout the school year, including international trips. We start and end the year with overnight camping trips.

Being a part of a community often means taking on varying roles as needed. At Mandala, teachers are aware of what needs to be accomplished, and do their best to make it happen. Sometimes this means learning new content areas alongside the students and teachers, helping with basic maintenance and cleaning of the schoolhouse, providing insight for public relations, etc. Teachers are motivated by the mission of the school and actively seek to be a part of its success. Our emphasis on democratic conduct ensures that both teachers and students feel they have a voice in the daily ongoings of the school. We learn to discuss and tackle problems as they arise.

Professional Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree in Education, related field, or equivalent

Salary & Benefits

- Our current teacher intern position is for the 2021-2022 school year, a 36-week session. The salary is \$28,800. Health benefits and retirement incentives available.
- The opportunity to learn valuable educational techniques within a collegial, energetic environment.
- Possibility of earning college course credit.

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Mandala School Inc.
Application for Employment
Position: Teacher Intern 2022-2022



Applicant Name: _____ SSN: _____

DOB: _____ Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Professional References:

1. Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Do we have permission to contact this person? (circle) Yes/No Phone: _____

2. Name: _____ Relationship: _____

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Personal References:

1. Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Do we have permission to contact this person? (circle) Yes/No Phone: _____

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*Please attach a professional resume, unofficial transcript, and reasons why you would be good for Mandala.

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