

# Early Childhood Educator Job Description

#### Job Summary

Erie Day School is seeking an Early Childhood Educator for students aged 3-4 years. The teacher will educate and inspire students in developmentally appropriate practices, play, inquiry-based learning, early literacy skills and cooperation among like-age peers.

#### **Essential Duties**

## The instructor will:

Nurture learners' skills; Develop relationships; Teach students how to regulate emotions; Teach students how to implement cooperation; Motivate students to understand a love of learning; Inspire students to investigate and explore their environment; Develop students' early literacy skills; Implement expressive language; Engage students in speaking and listening with adults and peers; Encourage imagination; Further students' ability to play freely; and Implement methods for developing coping mechanisms; among others.

## Day-to-day Responsibilities

Teaching a curriculum that aligns with the PA Early Learning Standards; Connecting instructional content to everyday life; Linking literature across the curriculum; Meeting the diverse needs of individual students; Inspiring students to find enjoyment and fulfillment in reading, writing, speaking and listening; Working collaboratively and cooperatively within a school-wide and Early Childhood (toddler through PK) team of educators, staff and administrators; and Effectively communicating in writing and speaking with parents, students and community members.

#### **Qualities Desired Among Applicants**

Qualified with a focused bachelor's degree in early childhood or elementary education (graduate degree preferred);

3+ years of teaching experience;

Qualified with a knowledge of learning differences;

Leadership experiences;

Analytical and curious;

Love of literature;

Understanding of independent schools;

Comfort with developmentally appropriate practices

Sociable and easy to talk to with outstanding written and oral communication skills;

Patient and resourceful in the community;

Motivational and inspiring;

Organized and careful about time management;

Devoted to learning;

Interest in collaborating with other educators;

Service-oriented with strong networking skills to ensure access to resources in the broader community;

Detail-oriented;

Technologically savvy;

Enthusiastic about working in an academic atmosphere;

Able to express ideas precisely in writing;

Understanding of the responsibilities in working and collaborating in an elite private school setting;

Interest in networking with other independent school educators;

Desire to pursue professional learning opportunities; and

Interest toward involvement in the school community.

## **Contact Information**

Interested educators should contact Dr. Karen K. Tyler (<u>ktyler@eriedayschool.com</u>) with a cover letter, resume (CV) and two letters of recommendation, including contact information.