## **Westerly School**

## **Fourth Grade Teaching Associate**

Westerly School, an independent Kindergarten-8th Grade Day School in Long Beach, is seeking a Teaching Associate for the 2018-19 school year to work with a lead teacher to guide learning in a class of approximately twenty students. In collaboration with the Lead Teacher, the Teaching Associate is responsible for inspiring young learners, differentiating instruction and ensuring student progress. Candidates must have a strong understanding of child development, enjoy close partnership with parents, and be able to make learning connections for students. The ideal candidate would be available to begin on August 27, 2018.

Westerly serves a diverse population of approximately 170 students from the greater Long Beach area in modern spacious classrooms. The school serves a wide range of ethnic, racial and economic diverse students and families. Tuition assistance serves about 40% of the population. The school offers a vibrant and rigorous academic program complemented by a well-developed set of enrichment offerings. The school embraces both traditional and innovative teaching methods delivering connected and integrated lessons. Westerly has a strong tradition of addressing the needs of the whole child. Students benefit from small classes, a caring faculty, and expert instruction in art, vocal and instrumental music, Spanish, and physical education. Westerly seeks individuals who seek to continue their growth as professionals, and thus the school budgets funds for professional development.

## Responsibilities:

- Assisting the lead teacher in implementing curriculum
- Assisting the lead teacher with grade and data entry
- Helping the lead teacher to differentiate curriculum to students with varying needs and learning styles
- Working with students one-on-one, in small groups, and helping with large group facilitation
- Supervising students at recess/lunch
- Attending faculty meetings
- Assisting the lead teacher/administration in various capacities including attending school-related events

## Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Arts degree or similar
- Experience working with children in an educational setting
- Professional and collaborative demeanor with strong self-confidence and initiative
- Motivation to grow as an educational professional
- Strong organizational and planning skills
- Ability to establish rapport with families, children, and colleagues

Salary is commensurate with experience. In addition to salary, the school offers all full-time employees a retirement plan with matching contributions, medical, life, dental, disability insurance, and optional vision insurance.

Westerly School is an equal opportunity employer and makes employment decisions on the basis of merit. School policy prohibits unlawful discrimination based on age, color, creed, disability, gender, marital status, national origin or ancestry, race, religion, registered domestic partner status, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, a medical condition including genetic characteristics, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state or local laws.

Applicants please submit a cover letter and resume to:

HR@westerlyschool.org with "Teacher Associate" - (your name)" written in the subject line

The position will remain open until filled.