Montessori Lead Elementary Guide

About us:
Bright Water Montessori School inspires a passion for learning in an intentionally diverse Montessori community of children from 16 months to the 6th grade. We nurture independence, a love of learning, self-esteem, cooperation, creative thinking, and respect for self and others.

Our Ideal Candidate:
● Bright Water Elementary is a charter school serving a diverse group of children and families in an urban setting, we are looking for people who will thrive in our fast-paced, innovative, and often challenging environment. In order to succeed here, candidates must be:
   ○ Able to persevere in the face of everyday challenges, both big and small.
   ○ Motivated to work in a social justice-oriented school, which includes reflecting on our own racial biases and developing a culturally responsive curriculum for our classrooms.
   ○ Mission-driven and prepared to work urgently toward closing the achievement gap and ending educational inequity through achievement of student outcomes.
   ○ Invested in the Montessori approach to education as truly transformational, both for the child and the world.
   ○ Comfortable interacting with diverse families and have experience with creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students.

Requirements & Qualifications:
● Bachelor’s Degree
● For Classroom Lead Guides: AMS- or AMI-credentialed or willing to work toward certification
● Minnesota Teaching License or the ability to acquire a variance upon recommendation by the school
● Excellent oral and written communication
● Commitment to anti-bias, anti-racist teaching and reflection
● Experience working with children affected by trauma
● Civility, honesty, and integrity; as reflected in daily interaction with faculty, children and parents
● Ability to develop appropriate relationships in support of teaching and learning
● Possess positive and high expectations for yourself and for student success
● Ability to organize materials, manage deadlines, and prioritize effectively

Job Description: Elementary Lead Guide

Daily/Weekly/Monthly/Yearly Responsibilities Include:
● Preparing and maintaining the physical environment to optimize student learning. Planning and implementing lessons.
● Supporting a culturally-responsive, and anti-racist mission of the school.
● Observing and conducting systematic progress tracking to ensure success for every child.
● Modifying instruction to meet the needs of students with diverse backgrounds and learning styles.
● Maintaining a positive, productive, and safe learning environment through effective classroom management strategies.
● Collaborating with other members of the grade level team to plan lessons, organize field trips, analyze data, etc.
● Maintaining positive and productive relationships with families by making positive phone calls to every family at least once every month, sending home a classroom newsletter on a regular basis.
● Administering assessments throughout the school year.
● Communicating effectively with students, families, and members of the staff.
● Supervise the classroom assistants, aides, substitutes, and parent volunteers. Provide necessary instruction and training for those assisting in the classroom environment.
● Facilitate a respectful environment for children and adults by advocating conflict resolution and Grace and Courtesy lessons.

How to Apply

● Go directly to our employment page at https://brightwatermontessori.bamboohr.com/jobs/, OR
● Go to our website at https://www.brightwatermontessori.org/ and click on the Employment tab to apply online.

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