



## **Middle School Social Studies Teacher (Grades 6-8)**

### **What Makes The GreenMount School (GMS) Different?**

*We are a community of educators* who work together to provide a creative education for grades K through 8 – emphasizing multicultural, cooperative, and experiential learning, supported by strong family participation.

*We are a community of parents* who fully engage in a system of work-sharing, in-kind contribution, and community building. The Parent CO-OP expands opportunities for family involvement and provides a rich array of resources and services for the students and school. Each parent contractually agrees to 40 hours of service to the school per year.

*We are a community of confident learners* where children gain confidence in their abilities when given the space and time to learn and the encouragement to succeed. Students learn through creative, multicultural, community-based, experiential curricula.

### **Our Philosophy**

Education is more than schoolwork. Learning becomes more meaningful for children when they can connect their in-school and out-of-school experiences using a thematic approach to learning. GMS seeks to help students join in the life of the community through field trips, service learning, apprenticeships, and visiting artists and experts. Our students become confident and contributing community members through the work of outstanding teachers.

### **Who We Are Looking For:**

We are looking for a smart, passionate, and entrepreneurial educator. The best candidates are those individuals who believe that shared leadership amongst teachers, parents, and students is essential to creating a meaningful learning community. We want a teacher who can develop a responsive curriculum that encourages academic rigor AND invites the natural rhythm that comes with student-driven creativity. It is essential that candidates inspire a love for learning and are proactive in collaborating with others. Additionally, we are looking for reflective practitioners who embrace a culture of revision, not just for students but also for themselves.

### **Job Responsibilities:**

- Commit to contributing to an atmosphere where all are valued, supporting diversity, equity, justice, inclusion, belonging, multicultural education, and culturally competent curricula.

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- Develop and teach highly engaging, academically rigorous lessons for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders that align with The GreenMount School philosophy and mission
- Collaborate with colleagues, the Academic Facilitator, and the Student Support Facilitator to adapt instructional methods, as well as identify and meet the needs of students with varying aptitudes, developmental stages, and learning styles.
- Facilitate and coordinate vertical team alignment for the school's Social Studies program.
- Collaborate with colleagues to share best practices, ensure student mastery of the curriculum, and provide experiences for students that address social and emotional growth and learning within an appropriate developmental framework, including planning field trips and arranging guest speakers.
- Create lessons and experiences that challenge and inspire students to develop critical thinking and inquiry skills and apply them in multidisciplinary, real-world activities and learning experiences
- Establish and uphold classroom routines that resonate with the Pillars of GreenMount - Academics, Civility, Community, and Integrity - to ensure a safe, respectful, and caring environment
- Observe and evaluate each student's academic, social, and emotional growth; keep appropriate records; send weekly reports; prepare student evaluations; and share student progress with the middle school team
- Establish and develop close relationships with families, including phone calls, conferences, and regular emails
- Foster a classroom environment that welcomes students to become reflective learners who are able to advocate for their learning styles
- Collaborate with other subject area teachers to develop interdisciplinary, inquiry-based projects and performance tasks for students based on three themes per year.
- Support the school mission and philosophy, leadership team, colleagues, and Head of School by being a supportive member of the school community.
- Always be ready to step in, anticipate needs, cheerlead, and take care of each other.

### **Qualifications:**

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The ideal candidate will be warm and energetic, have excellent communication skills, and possess an entrepreneurial work ethic. Previous experience teaching is required, and experience in an independent school setting with an understanding of progressive education is a plus.

- A true self-starter with experience. We want someone who can lead a team and also roll up their sleeves and do the work.
- A genuine love of and dedication to students and their well-being
- Ability to work without supervision and to organize, prioritize, and successfully execute multiple concurrent tasks; to anticipate needs and act accordingly; and to perform with a high degree of initiative and integrity
- Outstanding communication skills, including written communication and personal presentation
- Superior organizational skills and attention to detail
- Ability to work within a team and collaborate with colleagues for a common goal
- Demonstrate a commitment to using and teaching technology skills that are relevant to the area of study, such as using online research databases and presentation technology
- A clear understanding of and belief in the school mission and genuine interest in serving The GreenMount School to help it be the best it can be
- Experience working with diverse learners
- Experience teaching middle school Social Studies through a modern lens, including a thorough understanding of the standards outlined by MSDE, NCSS, and the CCSS.

**Working Conditions:**

Every day at GMS is different from the last. You must be flexible in nature and able to work with children both in the classroom and outside. GMS teachers often find themselves sitting on the floor with students in the classroom or an assembly, rearranging and moving light to moderate classroom furniture and other objects from one place to another, standing for long periods of time, organizing closets, and collaborating with classes of all ages. Middle school teachers are required to lead multiple field trips per year, including at least one overnight trip with students.

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All faculty and staff employed by GMS must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or submit an official medical exemption.

**Application Process:**

1. Complete the [Employment Application](#) listed on the school website.
2. Send the completed Employment Applications and a letter of interest, resume, and references (letters of recommendation or contact information for references) by email. Please email inquiries with the subject line “Middle School Social Studies Teaching Position” to:

Human Resources  
The GreenMount School  
[hr@greenmountschool.org](mailto:hr@greenmountschool.org)

Please visit our website at [www.greenmountschool.org](http://www.greenmountschool.org) to learn more about our school and educational program.

*The GreenMount School is an Equal Opportunity Employer and welcomes applications from qualified candidates regardless of age, race, color, sex/gender, national origin, citizenship status, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or any other protected status in accordance with the requirements of all federal, state, and local laws.*

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