



SPANISH TEACHER - 60-80% FTE
JUNE 2018 Posting

Are you passionate about language and learning? Do you thrive in collaborative environments that honor creativity, communication, and growth?

We are looking for a **Spanish Teacher** who can offer an engaging, interactive curriculum based on a deep understanding of child development and a passion for the language learning process. The successful candidate is energized by Wingra's approach and our mission, committed to his/her own growth and development as an educator, and specifically drawn to teaching children in a progressive learning environment. Must be an excellent teacher who is resourceful, enthusiastic, organized and able to navigate the educational terrain with flexibility and grace.

Our Spanish Teacher works with multi-age groups of students, ages 5 to 14, and advances student learning in speaking a foreign language and understanding the value of this knowledge. He or she is dedicated to student growth in four areas: listening, speaking, reading, and writing as well as increasing their knowledge of the culture of the countries in which Spanish is spoken. He or she offers a variety of learning modalities including music, movement, children's literature, art, videos, theatre, and games. In addition, our Spanish Teacher finds ways to creatively advance our multicultural curriculum school-wide.

Our teaching staff is comprised of passionate educators who recognize the innate potential that lies within every child. We encourage students to approach learning with an open, inquisitive, and critical mind and to go beyond the "facts" toward understanding the "why" and "how". At Wingra, children are deeply known by a supportive circle of adults as well as multi-age peers. Our community is one where students are accepted as their true selves, comfortable to explore, and confident to challenge themselves to try new things; a community where curriculum is flexibly designed to meet the students' unique needs, interests, and abilities; a community where students feel ownership of their educational journey and where their innate motivation to learn is sparked to life and fanned into a strong flame.

Requirements:

- Quality of mind, passion for teaching, and commitment to the education of children
- Ability and commitment to communicating effectively with parents
- Orientation to progressive philosophy and teaching methods
- Experience in teaching an integrated curriculum a strong plus
- Experience in addressing equity and diversity issues a strong plus
- Training in child development and Spanish education essential
- Training in Total Physical Response (preferred)
- Friendly demeanor, sense of humor, high standards, and flexibility
- Teaching License
- Bachelor's degree, in education & child development (preferred)
- Classroom experience at the elementary childhood or middle school level (preferred)

To Apply:

Please send cover letter, resume, and three letters of reference to: Debbie Millon, Head of School, dmillon@wingraschool.org

Wingra School, an independent K-8 school located in the heart of Madison, is an inclusive and safe learning community that enhances and empowers the lives of people by offering optimal opportunities for intellectual, emotional, and physical development. Wingra is an equal opportunity employer. We are dedicated to the goal of building a culturally diverse and pluralistic staff to equitably serve children of diverse races, ethnicities, abilities, gender identifications, income levels, and religions.