



7th & 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher

Central Lyon Community Schools

REPORTS TO Building Principal

FLSA STATUS Exempt

PREPARED DATE 1/2021

START DATE 8/2021

JOB SUMMARY

The social studies teacher will be responsible for teaching history, geography, politics, economics, and culture. These topics typically integrate current events into their lessons, and also facilitate healthy debates and engaging classroom discussions. Teacher must be culturally sensitive and create a classroom where everyone is respected. Must also be committed to servant leadership; make and honor collaborative decisions; communicate openly, honestly and frequently; operate transparently while demonstrating a respect for privacy; model respect; and advocate equity for all students.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Demonstrates ability to enhance academic performance and support for implementation of the school district's student achievement goals.
- Demonstrates competence in content knowledge appropriate to the teaching position.
- Demonstrates competence in planning and preparing for instruction.
- Uses strategies to deliver instruction that meets the multiple learning needs of students.
- Uses a variety of methods to monitor student learning.
- Demonstrates competence in classroom management.
- Engages in professional growth.
- Fulfills professional responsibilities established by the school district.

OTHER JOB FUNCTIONS

- Plan, prepare and deliver lesson plans and instructional materials that facilitate active learning by developing schemes of work and tests that are in accordance with established procedures. Ensure classroom is prepared for activities.
- Instruct and monitor students in the use of learning materials and equipment by using relevant technology and a variety of learning materials and resources to support and differentiate instruction. Establish and communicate clear objectives for all learning activities.
- Manage student behavior in the classroom by establishing and enforcing rules and procedures. Discipline shall be maintained in accordance with the rules and disciplinary systems of the district.
- Encourage and monitor the progress of individual students and use information to adjust teaching strategies. Observe and evaluate student's performance and development, assign and grade class work, homework, tests and assignments. Provide appropriate feedback.

- Maintain accurate and complete records of students' progress and development, and update all necessary records accurately and completely as required by laws, district policies and school regulations. Prepare required reports on students and activities.
- Communicate necessary information regularly to students, colleagues and parents regarding student progress and student needs.
- Demonstrate preparation and skill in working with students from diverse cultural, economic and ability backgrounds.
- Encourage parent and community involvement, obtain information for parents when requested, promptly return phone calls and answer emails.
- Participate in department, school, district and parent meetings. Participate in appropriate professional activities, extracurricular activities such as social activities, sporting activities, clubs and student organizations as directed.
- Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum qualifications include a valid Iowa teaching certificate, a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university with a major in education or acceptable content area. Must possess proper state certification and licensure for position. Employee is expected to demonstrate continued professional growth specific to the program(s).

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Strong written and verbal communication skills are critical to the success of this position. Must possess the ability to communicate effectively with a variety of individuals and groups from all levels of the organization, including staff, principals, and central administration. Communication will include individual to large group presentations as well as written communications and reports. Individual must have effective listening skills.

ANALYTICAL & REASONING SKILLS

Individual must have a solid background in instruction, assessment and curriculum, as well as have the ability to interpret data, which may be very complex and varied. Must be able to apply instructional strategies and link assessment data analysis to school improvement, curriculum, and professional development.

TECHNOLOGY SKILLS

Position requires the individual to be competent in a variety of methods in research and information gathering through technology. The ability to present and communicate through technology is required.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

Normal office physical demands. May periodically have moderate physical demands and may be required to lift up to 50 pounds occasionally. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate. Generally employee works inside.

TERMS OF EMPLOYEMENT

Salary and work year to be established by the Board.

EVALUATION

Performance of this job will be evaluated by the building principal according to the Iowa Teaching Standards and guidelines of Board policy.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please mail OR email a copy of the application along with your cover letter, resume and credential file to:

Mr. Jason Engelman, Secondary Principal
 Central Lyon School
 1010 S Greene St
 Rock Rapids, IA 51246
jengleman@centrallyon.org

A complete application must include:

1. A cover letter
2. Resume
3. Teaching license (digital copy)
4. Recent letters of recommendation regarding your professional work
5. Completed and signed application form

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