



## **Elementary Teacher**

**High Meadows School** in North Atlanta (Roswell), Georgia seeks an elementary teacher. The school takes pride in hiring dynamic, compassionate, and diverse faculty and staff who are among the finest in their areas of expertise.

### **School's Mission Statement**

To celebrate and perpetuate each individual's quest for knowledge and skill, sense of wonder, and connection to the natural environment. We empower each to be a compassionate, responsible, and active global citizen.

### **Summary**

Our educators are experienced, energetic, and collaborative individuals who follow a constructivist, progressive educational philosophy which is student-centered and hold kids to high and reasonable standards. We look for educators who maintain excellent relationships with families, work successfully within a team, understand developmentally appropriate practices for students, recognize the educational value of the natural environment and demonstrate a commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice in their teaching practice. At High Meadows, we believe that children possess a drive for cognitive, physical, and social engagement—a drive that is developed and enhanced by an environment that promotes academic challenge, creativity, personal responsibility, and a positive self-image.

### **Knowledge and Skill Set Requirements:**

Must be motivated, nurturing, creative, self-directed and a collaborative team member. Must have excellent communication and interpersonal skills as well as a passion and energy for teaching children. Desire to play a meaningful role in each student's daily school life and the life of the school. Demonstrated ability to clearly communicate, collaborate, and work effectively in a teaching partnership. Ability to nurture and challenge each student. Models continuous learning, and demonstrates a commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice. Understands academic, social, behavioral, and emotional development milestones of children. Understands positive discipline in a progressive educational setting.

### **Essential Job Functions:**

- The elementary teacher adheres to the school philosophy recognizing the developmental nature of childhood growth and each child's need for belonging.

- The elementary-teacher works in accordance with the mission and guiding principles of High Meadows School around approaches to learning/teaching, project-based instruction, and the Positive Discipline approach to behavior.
- The elementary teacher is responsible for supervision and direct instruction, student assessment, narratives, communication with parents, and parent-student-teacher conferences.
- The elementary teacher works in collaboration with another lead co-teacher and is responsible for student learning, classroom instruction, and curriculum implementation in the core subject areas or in a specialty area, depending on the teaching role and grade-level position.
- The elementary teacher will work with another co-teacher and a team to design learning environments that are focused on creativity and innovation, striving to challenge students to a deeper thinking level and to develop a yearning for greater understanding.
- As an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program®, teachers are responsible for presenting and creating units of study used to develop “inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.”

## **The Campus**

High Meadows School sits on 42 wooded acres in Roswell. The school is housed in several buildings spread across the two meadows on the property. We have an active barnyard on campus, serving as the home for horses, sheep, bunnies, chickens, and pigs. Faculty and staff must be comfortable traveling between buildings in all types of weather, participating in outdoor activities on the meadows and in the forest, and intermingling with animals.

## **Minimum Education/Prior Experience/Qualifications Required**

Minimum of three to five current, consecutive years as a full-time teacher in appropriate grade level; Bachelor’s Degree required; Preference given to those with a bachelor’s or master’s degree in Education. Collaborative and interdisciplinary instruction experience a must.

Preferences given to applicants with:

- Experience as a constructivist educator
- Experience as a teacher in a progressive school setting preferred
- International Baccalaureate School (PYP) experience
- Current GA Teaching Certification

Please send cover letter indicating interest, educational philosophy, and resume to: Lori Kennedy [lkennedy@highmeadows.org](mailto:lkennedy@highmeadows.org) (Please, no phone calls. Only candidates selected for the next step will be contacted.)

*All school employees are currently required to be vaccinated against COVID-19.*

*High Meadows School does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, color, creed, national origin, religion, veteran status, sex, age or sexual orientation in employment, admission of students or in providing its services in any manner.*