



Saul Mirowitz Jewish Community School is seeking a nurturing, student-centered, and collaborative full-time **Teaching Assistant** to support our 1st Grade classroom. The ideal candidate is eager to work closely with lead teachers and young children in a joyful, inquiry-based environment that fosters curiosity, empathy, and foundational learning. Candidates do not need to be Jewish for this general studies position, but should be excited to support a community that celebrates Jewish values and experiential learning.

Primary Responsibilities

- Support the lead teacher in creating a warm, inclusive, and developmentally appropriate classroom environment.
- Work directly with students one-on-one, in small groups, and in whole class settings to reinforce instruction and provide academic and emotional support.
- Assist with classroom management and help ensure student safety and engagement.
- Collaborate with the lead teacher and other colleagues to implement instructional activities and classroom routines.
- Help prepare materials, organize classroom supplies, and support classroom transitions.
- Communicate respectfully and effectively with students, teachers, and families.
- Participate in recess, lunch, and arrival/dismissal duties.
- Attend relevant faculty meetings, in-service days, and school events.
- Demonstrate a commitment to the mission and values of the school and to the growth of every child.

Qualifications

A successful candidate will demonstrate:

- A strong interest in early childhood or elementary education.
- A warm, positive, and patient approach to working with young children.
- A collaborative spirit and willingness to take initiative and receive guidance.
- A commitment to diversity, equity, inclusion, and fostering belonging.
- Strong communication, organizational, and interpersonal skills.
- Reliability, flexibility, and a team-oriented mindset.

Requirements

A associate's degree in education or similar is strongly preferred. Ideal candidates have experience working with elementary students, a flexible and team-oriented approach, excellent written and oral communication skills, exceptional organizational skills and attention to detail, superior interpersonal skills, a sense of humor, and a positive demeanor.

Compensation

Salary is competitive with area independent schools and commensurates with experience. Excellent health and retirement benefits are part of the employment package. Funding exists to support continuing education and professional development. Financial benefits include tuition remission for children of full-time employees.

DEI Philosophy Statement

At Mirowitz we recognize that the work of diversity, equity, and inclusion is deeply rooted in our work as Jewish educators. Our tradition teaches us the value of *kavod habriyot*, respect for the sacred diversity of all of G-d's creations. Our core Jewish values of *kavod* (respect), *hakarat hatov* (recognition of the good), *limmud* (learning), and *tikkun* (commitment to repair) guide our work in building empathy, promoting sacred diversity of identities, and both studying and committing ourselves to repair of social inequities that have historically stemmed from these differences. We believe in the dignity and worth of every person regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, ability, age, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, socioeconomic status, or any other individual characteristic.