



RiseUp Community School: Science Teacher Job Description

Employees at RiseUp Community School must be committed to the Vision and Mission of the School.

Our vision is that all young people, regardless of their circumstances, have access to an education that will prepare them to counter social inequities and realize their full potential. Our school empowers young people to transform themselves and become leaders in their communities. Our school is a haven of trust and respect, where students can prepare for success in careers, post-secondary education and life. 100% of our graduates are prepared for and go on to post-secondary education or meaningful careers.

The mission of RiseUp Community School is to engage young people who have previously dropped out of school or are at risk of dropping out in a supportive learning environment that holds each student to high expectations, cultivates social justice, and inspires every student to achieve a high school diploma and become prepared for college and careers after graduation.

School Overview:

We believe that all students deserve an education rich in experience that allows students to be agents of change in their own lives. RiseUp Community School is a high school that operates in collaboration with Mile High Youth Corps to provide students with a community integrated and context based education. Employees are key in the creation of an education experience that encompasses academic, career and college planning, and social responsibility believe that the best way to learn is through applying new knowledge and skills to real-world projects. All students graduate showing mastery in three areas- Social Responsibility, Higher Order Thinking, and Post-Secondary Readiness. RiseUp Community School is a new charter school in Denver that will open with our first cohort of students in the fall of 2015. Applicants will be a part of the school design process and will have influence on the curriculum development.

Hiring for the following positions:

Science

Position Overview:

Teachers at RiseUp are, first and foremost, generalists. Teachers work closely as a cohort to create a seamless educational experience for students and this means they must understand the landscape of all subjects and understand where his or her content specialty fits within this landscape. Each teacher is in charge of developing his or her department by ensuring curriculum meets the mission and vision of the school. All teachers act as advisors and take on the teaching of elective courses as necessary.

Position is open until 9/25 or until filled.

Teaching and Assessment:

- Plan and implement curriculum that matches the school's mission and vision.
- Collaborate with other teachers to ensure a comprehensive and unified education program.
- Use assessment data to plan appropriate instructional practices and interventions.
- Teach two core science courses covering a range of science topics.

Curriculum development:

- Design units of study that develop necessary skills for college, career, and citizenship.

- Ensure Common Core State Standards are integrated in the design of the curriculum.
- Create units of study from established and self-created curricula.

Professional development:

- Partake in individual and all-school professional development around pedagogy, curriculum, and professional learning communities.
- Facilitate in-house professional development.
- Utilize feedback (from supervisor, peers, PD, etc.) to improve instruction.

Experience:

- Applicants must be a Highly Qualified Teacher by holding one of the following:
 - 1) earn an endorsement or hold a degree in assigned field,
 - 2) pass a Colorado content test in assigned field (e.g., PLACE, PRAXIS II),
 - 3) earn 24-semester hours in assigned field,
 - 4) earn National Board Certification in assigned field,
 - 5) or pass a secondary multi-subject HOUSSE* provision)OR possess a current Colorado Teaching License.
- Demonstrated belief in the vision and mission of RiseUp Community School

Compensation and Benefits:

- Competitive salary commensurate with experience
- Comprehensive benefits (health, dental, vision)

To apply compile the following:

1. Cover letter- address why RiseUp Community School is of interest and a good fit for you, and highlight unique skill sets and/or beliefs you possess that may not come through in your resume.

2. Human Relations Incident essay responding to the following: Think of a significant past event that involved yourself in a teaching or helping role with one or more other persons. That is, from a human relations standpoint, this event had special meaning for you. In writing about this event, please use the following format:

1. Describe the situation as it occurred at the time.
2. What did you do in the particular situation?
3. How did you feel about the situation at the time you were experiencing it?
4. How do you feel about the situation now? Would you wish to change any part of it?

3. Resume/CV (include three references)

Send materials to info@riseupcommunityschool.net