

Teaching Position Available: Elementary Learning Specialist

Polaris Charter Academy is an EL Education School located in the West Humboldt Park neighborhood. PCA is committed to helping students become academically successful life-long learners with a strong sense of personal and civic responsibility. Through active pedagogy, learning expeditions, fully integrated and infused literacy, and consequential service to others, Polaris seeks to create the next generation of exemplary citizens.

Applicants should possess the following knowledge and experience:

- A degree in education or equivalent
- Three or more years of classroom teaching experience
- **Active teaching certification and LBS1 endorsement is required**

Description of Position:

A Polaris Charter Academy educator will:

- Effectively build a positive classroom culture that promotes self-discipline
- Plan and implement creative, organized and engaging lessons based on the Common Core State Standards and the Next Generation Science Standards.
- Differentiate instruction to support all students in the learning process
- Plan, support, and collaborate with fellow educators and staff

The Polaris *Special Education Teacher* is responsible for, but not limited to:

- Collaborate with Polaris classroom teachers to develop and implement cross-curricular units of study which utilize active pedagogy and expeditionary learning in a multi-age classroom
- Differentiate or modify instruction within the classroom setting to support students with special needs
- Employ special educational strategies and techniques during instruction to improve the development of sensory and perceptual motor skills, language, cognition and memory
- Confer with parents, administrators, teachers and the school social worker to develop individual educational plans (IEP's) designed to promote students' educational, physical and social development
- Maintain accurate and complete student records, and prepare reports on children and activities, as required by law, district policies and administrative regulations
- Establish clear objectives for all lessons, units, and projects, and communicate those objectives to students
- Provide an inviting, exciting learning environment

To Apply: Interested candidates should email a resume and cover letter to Michelle Navarre, Head of School, at mnavarre@pcachicago.org.

Job Type: Full-time