

## Lower School Spanish (K-5)



We are seeking a dynamic Spanish teacher for our Lower School. The ideal person will infuse creativity and collaboration into their lessons, and know how to use many different approaches to bring Spanish to life in our progressive school. Teachers at Blue Oak School bring positivity, collegiality, strong work ethic, and a commitment to building warm and supportive relationships with children into the school each day. We will hire a person who understands how to provide differentiated and extended learning experiences within the context of a progressive language learning environment. The goal of our Spanish language program is to graduate students with solid Spanish language proficiency, and with a passion and ability to meaningfully engage with people of many cultural backgrounds. The position includes teaching three sections of Art (grades K-2, 200 min/wk). This is a full-time position with benefits.

### Requirements & Attributes

- BA and prior elementary teaching experience required, graduate work preferred
- Native or Near-Native level of Spanish fluency required
- Love working with students and creating a joyful learning environment
- Demonstrated ability to incorporate song, dance, art, and music into Spanish lessons
- Experience with TPR and TPRS preferred
- Commitment to professional development and a growth mindset
- Desire and ability to contribute to student and community life inside and outside the classroom
- Commitment to social justice and multicultural education
- Sense of humor and ability to connect with all students
- Understanding and appreciation of a progressive approach to teaching and learning

### Responsibilities

- Collaborate with homeroom teachers to integrate language instruction with other curricular areas
- Create and implement Spanish language program in collaboration with the MS Spanish teacher
- Provide opportunities for students to use their Spanish language skills in real-world settings
- Design lessons which model Blue Oak's Habits of Mind and encourage inquiry, active participation, and real world engagement
- Create a warm and inclusive classroom community that keeps the needs of diverse learners in mind
- Work with classroom teachers and the Learning Specialist to design accommodations and child-centered approaches to learning and behavior.
- Create a welcoming and inclusive environment for our Spanish speaking families, plan relevant field trips, events, and learning celebrations - extend translation support, maintain an "open door" while making yourself available to families.
- Teach three sections of Art (grades K-2)

**Please submit a résumé, cover letter, and references to [jobs@blueoakschool.org](mailto:jobs@blueoakschool.org)**

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