



Middle School Humanities Teacher (2025-26 Academic Year)

The Contra Costa Jewish Day School (CCJDS) is a K-8 independent school with approximately 180 students, accredited by the California Association of Independent Schools and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. We are seeking a passionate educator to join our team as a Middle School Humanities Teacher starting in August 2025. This part-time or full-time position involves teaching one or more sections of History or English Language Arts, and possibly elective classes in the Humanities.

At CCJDS, we are committed to fostering academic excellence, meeting the diverse needs of students, and building a collaborative and supportive learning environment. We take pride in offering a low student-to-teacher ratio, which allows teachers to build strong relationships with students and provide personalized instruction. Teachers benefit from generous prep time, teaching assistants in some classrooms, and a supportive community that encourages professional growth.

CCJDS provides a warm, inclusive, and collegial working environment, where educators are valued as integral members of the school community. We support professional development through access to workshops, conferences, and other opportunities to advance your teaching expertise.

Key Responsibilities:

- Teach one or more sections of Middle School English Language Arts and/or History (Ancient World History, Medieval to Modern World History, U.S. History)
- Develop and implement engaging lesson plans that support a rigorous and differentiated curriculum.
- Assess and monitor student progress, providing individualized support and feedback to ensure academic success.
- Foster a positive and innovative learning environment that encourages creativity, critical thinking and develops strong reading comprehension, research, writing and public speaking skills
- Conduct parent-teacher conferences twice a year, and communicate as needed with parents during the year, to share insights on student progress and collaborate on support strategies.

- Prepare timely and attentive parent communications, including narrative report cards twice a year, providing detailed feedback on each student's performance and growth.

Qualifications:

- **Education:**
 - Bachelor's degree in related field
 - Teaching credential and/or master's degree, desired
- **Skills and Experience:**
 - Proven ability to engage and inspire middle school students
 - Prior teaching experience in the humanities (Candidates with school experience through teacher training programs will be considered.)
 - Experience developing a differentiated, student-centered curriculum
 - Demonstrated success and enthusiasm for working constructively with parents
 - Effective classroom management and organization skills. Experience creating a nurturing, mutually respectful environment in the classroom.
 - Success collaborating with other teachers in a team setting and embracing a culture of ongoing professional growth
 - Strong interpersonal, written and oral communication skills with a collaborative, team-oriented approach
 - Excellent tech skills with experience in Google Classroom
- **Preferred Attributes:**
 - Enthusiasm for working with middle school students and contributing to their growth as learners.
 - A strong work ethic and dedication to fostering a creative and inclusive classroom environment.
 - Eagerness to engage broadly with the school community and participate in extracurricular activities or events.

We encourage candidates with a genuine passion for the humanities and middle school education to apply. If you are excited about creating a positive impact and being an integral part of a thriving school environment, we would love to hear from you!

The Contra Costa Jewish Day School welcomes qualified applicants with a variety of talents, interests, backgrounds and perspectives. CCJDS does not discriminate based on race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or physical disability in the admission of students or the employment of staff, nor does it tolerate sexual harassment.

Salary Information:

Salary for this part-time or full-time position will be prorated based on a full-time annual salary of \$55,000-\$85,000, depending upon experience and credentials. Additional, prorated benefits include medical and dental insurance, 403(b) contribution and generous tuition remission for an employee with a child(ren) enrolled at CCJDS.

To Apply:

To apply for this position, please send cover letter and resume to:

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