National Cathedral School (NCS) announces a search for a full-time Social Sciences teacher in its fourth grade starting in August 2022. We seek candidates who have experience with elementary/middle grades education, prefer collaborative professional relationships, and understand the importance of building supportive partnerships with parents. Instructional responsibilities are primarily related to the subject of US geography. Class content focuses on the geographical features of the United States with an emphasis on cultural geography as a step toward appreciating a wide range of American experiences. Fourth-grade geography students are expected to advance their proficiencies in organization/study habits, nonfiction reading, and basic writing mechanics. Consequently, we are particularly interested in candidates who have experience/expertise in the teaching of reading and writing. Applicants must be comfortable with curriculum development and enjoy the creative process of designing instruction for eager fourth-grade learners.

NCS is committed to leadership in multicultural education and a culturally diverse faculty and staff and seeks applications for this position from candidates who will contribute to an atmosphere in which all are valued and supported. As a result, the successful candidate will teach a curriculum in which students see themselves represented. The school expects candidates to have a willingness and ability to use differentiated instruction in the classroom. Teachers apply a student-centered pedagogy and use technology as a teaching tool as well as a student resource. NCS has a one-to-one iPad program in grades 4 to 8.

The typical Lower School day runs from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Other responsibilities include daily homeroom, study hall, dismissal time coverage, recess, lunch table oversight, regular grade-level team discussions, faculty meetings, department meetings, and other duties as assigned. Qualified candidates will hold at least a Bachelor’s degree and have pertinent teaching experience. A Master’s degree is a plus.

National Cathedral School serves 593 students in grades 4 through 12. Faculty and staff are curious intellectually, flexible, and collaborative, and they view education as an engaging vocation. Our students are engaged, fun, and kind, and they love to be challenged and viewed as confident individuals. Faculty and staff maintain a lively conversation about the meaning of an excellent education, an interest in pedagogy, and innovative uses of technology. As an Episcopal school, NCS welcomes people of all backgrounds and faiths while maintaining a close identity with Washington National Cathedral’s commitment to being a house of prayer for all people.

National Cathedral School requires all employees to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, including any boosters recommended and available to the general public, absent eligibility for medical or religious exemptions. Interested candidates should send an electronic application that includes a brief cover letter, résumé, and the names and contact information of three to five references. In addition, please provide a representative sample of the kind of short student narratives you would provide to parents regarding student progress. Please submit these materials as one combined attachment, in Word or PDF format, to ncsemployment@cathedral.org with a subject line of “Grade 4 Social Sciences Teacher”.

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