Junior High (Grades 7 & 8) Social Studies Teacher

About Us

Pinewood School is a joyful community with passionate, accessible teachers and administrators who partner with students and parents in the education journey. Our three-campus K-12 school balances challenging academics with robust enrichment classes. Our students engage in meaningful, varied opportunities that empower them to explore their talents and develop new skills. Our three historic campuses provide the space for all to flourish. We inspire the best in our students as we encourage them to become kind, wellrounded people who are poised to change their world for the better.

Pinewood School is nestled in the heart of Silicon Valley. Drawing from diverse communities throughout the San Francisco Peninsula and greater San Jose area, Pinewood is composed of students who seek challenging academics and support a high standard of character. Pinewood provides a nurturing environment where our students are encouraged to grow as considerate, adventurous, expressive, self-aware young people, prepared for their top-choice colleges and for meaningful and productive lives.

Position Summary

Pinewood School is seeking a full-time Junior High (Grades 7 & 8) Social Studies teacher for the 2024-25 school year. The individual in this role is a professional educator who is passionate about teaching and meeting the needs of Junior High students.

Responsibilities

- Teach 7th-Grade American History and 8th-Grade World History
- Develop effective instructional strategies to meet the diverse needs of students
- Design and implement curriculum for a student-centered classroom
- Create a positive and inclusive classroom environment where all students feel valued and respected
- Use technology effectively to communicate and to enhance teaching and learning experiences

- Communicate effectively with parents on a regular basis regarding students' needs and/or progress
- Attend regular monthly faculty, grade level, and academic meetings
- Participate in school events

Physical Demands

- Ability to spend long hours sitting, using computers and office equipment.
- Ability to exchange/communicate information accurately and effectively with others in person and on the phone
- Ability to lift up to 10 lbs.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in Education, History or related field is required; Master's degree and/or a teaching credential is desired
- Minimum of three years of experience teaching a junior high school history class; experience teaching at an independent school is desired
- Strong interpersonal and collaboration skills
- Proficient in Google Workspace

Compensation & Benefits

Salary range is \$81,390 - \$144,300 annually and is based on education and years of teaching experience. Pinewood offers comprehensive benefits to employees. Our benefits include medical insurance, dental insurance, vision insurance, a retirement plan with an employer match, life insurance, and more. Pinewood promotes a healthy work-life balance among our community by offering employees a generous holiday and PTO policy that includes school breaks during the academic year. Find a full list of our employee benefits <u>here</u>.

How to Apply

Please send your cover letter, resume and three professional references to Jennifer Bates, Social Studies Department Head, at <u>jbates@pinewood.edu</u> with subject line: *Junior High Social Studies Teacher* by April 12.