



Kawartha

MONTESSORI SCHOOL

Middle School Co-Teacher Grade 7&8 (up to 1.0 FTE)

Term Position

(parental leave coverage, with possibility of renewal)

Application Deadline: Posting remains open until filled. Review of applications will begin immediately.

Position Start Date: January 4th 2021 (with paid orientation during December 2020)

Position End Date: June 30, 2021 (with possibility of renewal), or until the incumbent returns

Competitive independent school salary, commensurate with qualifications and experience

Kawartha Montessori School (KMS) is a well-established, accredited Montessori school in the beautiful Peterborough area. It is situated on a ten-acre property adjacent to a Provincial Park forest. At KMS we emphasize outdoor, environmental, and community-based learning. KMS is a successful, not-for-profit, independent school that is supported by a professional Board of Directors. We are the only CCMA accredited Montessori school in the region. We are proud of our supportive staff and parent community, and our unique learning environment for children 2.5 to 14 years of age. This year covid safety is a top priority and our protocols exceed the highest required standards while also supporting social-emotional well being.

We are seeking a grade 7/8 Teacher (Adolescent Guide) for a limited term appointment (parental leave coverage) in our Middle School program, with the possibility of renewal into the 2021-2022 academic year. Though the current term is limited, opportunities for longer-term employment at KMS may be possible for the right candidate.

The Middle School program is a unique and academically rigorous Montessori experience with strong commitments to outdoor and community-based learning. Its integrated curriculum is grounded in experiential, inquiry-based, and student-directed learning. Students work collaboratively, with accountability and critical thinking. As in other KMS classes, our Middle School program aims to foster respectful interpersonal relationships, self and group leadership, caring, and empathy.

With the support of the school Principal this Middle School co-teacher will work in collaboration with another full time co-teacher, and several specialists, to facilitate the Middle School experience.

The ideal candidate has a solid grounding in adolescent education and experiential learning and holds a Bachelor of Education degree. The candidate should have some understanding and appreciation of Montessori philosophy; while Montessori training is an asset, it is not required. We have a strong preference for a teacher with classroom and field experience with grades 7 and 8. Other preferred qualifications include: lifeguarding, (wilderness) first aid, paddling or hiking certifications, or similar. Any candidate should possess strong interpersonal personal skills and be a dedicated lifelong/life-wide learner. They should be adept to working in a fast-paced and complex school environment. They should demonstrate excellent skills in organization, decision-making, leadership, oral and written

communication. Candidates should demonstrate expertise in a minimum of two of the following four subject areas: humanities, language, science, math.

We encourage candidates to check out our website and to learn more about Montessori philosophy before applying. www.kawarthamontessori.com

To apply, please submit the following documents:

1. A cover letter that outlines your pedagogical approach, alignment with KMS, understanding of adolescent learning/development, and professional skills/attributes (2 page max)
2. A CV outlining qualifications and experience, including the names and contact information for three professional references

Please send applications by email to the principal, Emily Root eroot@kawarthamontessori.com

We thank all applicants for their interest. We will be contacting only those invited for an interview.