

School Year: 2022-2023

Position Open: Special Education Paraeducator, Grades K-8

Circle of Seasons Charter School, a Public Waldorf Methods School, seeks an experienced, enthusiastic Special Education Paraeducator for the 2022-23 school year. Circle of Seasons is a public Waldorf K-8 school located on a 35-acre wooded campus, overlooking the beautiful Lehigh Valley. In close proximity to both outdoor recreation opportunities (less than 15 miles from the Appalachian Trail and 12 miles from local skiing), the Lehigh Valley offers robust art, music, theater, restaurant, and social amenities. An asset to our community, Circle of Seasons offers Waldorf education in the public setting with committed families from all over the Lehigh Valley and beyond.

At Circle of Seasons we recognize the value, importance, and challenges that come with attracting and meeting the needs of diverse populations. Candidates for consideration should be enthusiastic, joyful, warm and motivated. We value candidates that possess a deep understanding of child development and a caring disposition. We are eager to welcome to our team a colleague committed to building strong collegial and family relationships and one who is committed to self-development. Our curriculum includes Fiber and Manual Arts, Games and Movement, Gardening, Music, German, French, and Spanish. Our faculty engage in ongoing professional development and work together and individually to develop skill in designing instruction and creating classroom experiences that build caring communities.

Qualifications:

- Demonstrated enthusiasm for working with children
- Knowledge of Waldorf pedagogy, methods and/or approach (preferred)
- 3–5 years of experience working with students (preferred)
- Bachelor's degree (preferred) • Demonstrates the ability to maintain complete confidentiality
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Demonstrates organizational skills and time management skills, providing for productivity, accuracy, and attention to detail in carrying out duties, tasks, and responsibilities with minimal supervision

Responsibilities:

- Work cooperatively with Circle of Seasons staff to deliver classroom assistance and learning experiences to individual students or with small groups
- Work with special education teachers to deliver adapted and modified curriculum for students
- Collaborate with class teachers to facilitate inclusive learning experiences for identified learners
- Capture data and contribute to student observations as part of the IEP process
- Contribute to and assist with student record-keeping, progress monitoring, and testing
- Communicate with families/parents related to individual students
- Communicate with staff and students to build relationships
- Participate in ongoing professional development and COS classroom observation and evaluation



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- Support a positive learning environment that is safe, joyful, and nurturing

Hours are 8:00 - 4:00 Monday through Friday. Meetings, open house events, and festivals outside of these hours may require your attendance.

The salary for this position is \$34,500 and includes participation in the 403b retirement plan and healthcare benefits. Salary may be adjusted for Waldorf experience and schooling beyond Bachelor's level study. Background clearances, physical examination and TB test will be required.

Ideal candidates will have a passion for working with children, strong self-direction, musical and artistic inclinations, and developed sense of themselves as educators working with children.

Resume and letter of interest should be sent to Pia Houseal at mspia@circleofseasons.org

Equal Opportunity Policy: Circle of Seasons Charter School is a public school under the Supervision of the Commonwealth and equal opportunity employer. Circle of Seasons Charter School fully supports a policy of equal employment opportunity in all job classifications and this encompasses recruitment, selection, assignment, promotion, transfer, dismissal, compensation, and training of all personnel