

# ELEMENTARY TEACHER

Darren Patterson Christian Academy (DPCA) is a small, private, Christian, expeditionary learning school, serving students in PreK-8th grade. DPCA is looking for a knowledgeable, compassionate, and team-oriented teacher for the 2023-24 school year. Please contact [jdrexler@dpcaweb.org](mailto:jdrexler@dpcaweb.org) for grade specific information.

**Essential Characteristics:** The ideal candidate should be passionate about...

- Building strong relationships with staff, students, and families.
- Partnering with parents to meet the specific needs of students.
- Investing in the character training & spiritual development of students.
- Developing & implementing engaging and rigorous learning experiences, with a vision for Biblically centered education & expeditionary learning.
- Collaborating with teachers and other staff members to create programming and experiences to enhance student learning and engage larger Buena Vista community.
- Continuing to learn and grow personally & professionally through actively participating in professional development opportunities.
- Remaining personally flexible and forward thinking, constantly learning, reflecting on his or her own work, and expanding knowledge to improve teaching practices.

**Primary Responsibilities:**

- Establish and maintain standards of student behavior in order to create a safe, respectful, and productive classroom environment.
- Learn and creatively implement curriculum for assigned grade levels with obvious measure of organization and planning.
- Individualize instruction to help each student achieve academic objectives.
- Track and assess student academic progress and attendance.
- Provide students and parents regular feedback on growth and progress.
- Generate formal and informal reports regarding student performance and progress.
- Publicly uphold school policies, both personally and professionally, and act to enforce them within school environment.
- Participate in class outdoor expeditions, school-wide events, monthly staff meetings, and professional development days.

**Qualifications:**

- Love for kids of all ages and a strong desire to make a difference in their lives every day.
- Bachelor's degree or higher from a recognized college or university in related field of study, and/or strong evidence of qualification through experience.
- Teaching certification or concurrent progress towards certification (preferred).
- Expeditionary Learning and/or Christian Educational background (preferred)

**Job Type: Full Time**

**FLSA Status: Exempt**

**TO APPLY,** please submit a cover letter, resume, unofficial copy of college transcripts, any related certifications, and completed application form found on website to [jdrexler@dpcaweb.org](mailto:jdrexler@dpcaweb.org).