



## 3rd/4th Grade Co-Teacher - Breakwater School - Portland, ME

Breakwater School seeks an experienced, creative, and collaborative educator to join its dedicated teaching team. This is a full-time, school-year, co-teaching position starting in August 2024.

To learn more about Breakwater School please see our website at <http://school.breakwaterlearning.org/>

### Position Overview:

The 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> multi-grade teaching position is part of an elementary school covering all subjects (math, language arts, science, outdoor adventure, and PE). A successful candidate will be able to teach language arts (especially with some background in remedial reading instruction), math, and science. Abilities in other subject areas are welcome. As a co-teacher, duties will also include parent communication and managing individual student programs. Teachers are part of a dynamic, collaborative team, designing and delivering a developmentally responsive, integrated curriculum.

### Preferred Qualifications:

- Course work in Elementary Education
- 3-5 years of Early Elementary classroom or relevant teaching experience is expected.

### General Expectations:

- Multi-age classroom experience, or experience with a diverse range of learners, is especially helpful for this position.
- Understanding of and experience of "social curriculum" and building strong, positive relationships with children, families, and colleagues.
- Ability to create a safe, organized, and well-managed classroom (teachers handle most of the discipline issues in their own classrooms).
- Being an effective member of a collaborative team, as well as assuming leadership.
- Deep understanding of child development, human growth and learning, and developmentally responsive best practices.
- Demonstrated experience in creating and using formative assessment, as well as summative measures, to improve instruction.
- Experience and proven ability to effectively plan and deliver project-based-learning/expeditionary learning/integrated curriculum experiences while ensuring students are learning essential skills and concepts.
- Breakwater's faculty is a community of learners and a commitment to your own professional development, openness to truly challenge your own teaching practices to do what is best for students, and willingness to contribute to the team's growth is expected.



- Our faculty maintains a reputation of working collaboratively with families and knowing each child very well. Excellent communication skills are essential and the ability to effectively write narrative reports and classroom newsletters.

How to Apply:

Please submit cover letter, resume, and three professional references electronically to the office manager: [office@breakwaterschool.org](mailto:office@breakwaterschool.org)

No Phone calls, please.

Breakwater School is an inclusive and holistic environment constantly striving towards intercultural competency. Ongoing professional development in diversity, equity and inclusion is part of every employee's ongoing employment. We are committed to attracting, hiring and maintaining a diverse student population and staff. We encourage artists and educators with diverse backgrounds, nationalities and life experiences to apply for this position.

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