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**Job Title:** Lead Teacher

**Shift Type:** Full Time (1.0 FTE) for the 2022-2023 school year

**Salary Range:** \$48,000-\$65,000 annually

**Reports To:** The Education Director

The Valley School of Southern Oregon is seeking a full time Lead Teacher to provide a student-centered learning experience for our middle school youth. A Lead Teacher at TVS will have an approach anchored in project-based, hands-on learning where students are inspired to make connections between their learning and their community. The perfect candidate will subscribe to the following beliefs:

**Beliefs about family communication & participation-**

At TVS we believe families are a valued resource in our children's learning. In our community, the family has a voice and is engaged in communication with teachers, students and staff.

**Beliefs about testing & grading -**

At TVS we believe that authentic assessment of a student's growth is more valuable than traditional gradings structure. This includes portfolios and reflective self-assessment.

**Beliefs about discipline & behavior management -**

At TVS we uphold a high behavioral standard, modeled and taught by the adults in our community and supported by our peace curriculum. Discipline is addressed with restorative justice practices. We understand that students come have different needs and strive to be trauma and culturally informed.

**Beliefs about Student Centered Classrooms -**

At TVS we believe that students create a community where they are engaged, value real world learning, and feel empowered to enact change.

**Beliefs about Montessori Education -**

The Valley School subscribes to a Montessori approach to middle school, where students are leaders of their own learning. Through inquiry based and community oriented projects, students investigate real world problems and develop a deeper understanding through a multi-disciplinary problem solving approach. Students leave TVS with an increased passion for learning and an openness to new ideas and possibilities.

**Beliefs about Equity -**

We believe that the TVS community has a responsibility to consciously support and promote diversity and educational equity. It is our goal to identify inequities, establish equitable policies and promote an open mindset for future TVS students and staff. We believe every student should expect equitable and respectful treatment, have equitable access to educational opportunities, and have equitable access to resources and materials regardless of their identity or characteristics. We believe this is the responsibility of ALL stakeholders, including students, parents, staff, and board members.

**Beliefs about Social Justice -**

TVS fosters an awareness of the greater community with a focus on service and mentorship. We teach students to use their voice to advocate for themselves and others.

**Math acceleration, including providing high school math classes -**

At TVS we strongly believe that students have the opportunity to work at a pace and level that keeps them engaged, supported, learning new concepts, and staying challenged. The pace of progress through material is guided by the student. We give opportunities to be applied in real-world applications.

**Qualifications**

- Must be eligible for or properly licensed by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission for assignment as a teacher or charter school registry
- Montessori experience preferred

For a complete job description or to apply please email resumes to [Jeanetta.Woodside@thevalleyschool.k12.or.us](mailto:Jeanetta.Woodside@thevalleyschool.k12.or.us)