

Science Language & Arts

Assistant Teacher, Mandarin Immersion, Early Childhood

Employee Classification: W-2

Schedule: Full-time/Part-time

Science, Language & Arts International School (SLA) is a Brooklyn-based independent school focused on project-based science, arts, and math and committed to a rich and rigorous multilingual education in Mandarin and Mandarin. Our Early Childhood Annex, with locations in Carroll Gardens and in the heart of Downtown Brooklyn, New York, serves an international and progressive community of families with children ages 2–4.

SLA is seeking a creative and dynamic Mandarin immersion teacher for our Early Childhood Annex. The successful candidate is an extremely fluent speaker of Mandarin and has completed at least a Bachelor's-level degree in education, childhood development, or a related field. This is an immersion teaching position; the teacher will be leading group activities in Mandarin to teach children the fundamentals of math, language, and art. Our integrated curriculum has a strong emphasis on science and the arts through experiential learning, hands-on projects, games, and collaborative problem solving.

This is a full-time teaching position, with a part-time position possibly available. Beginning Fall 2021, with the possibility of starting in 2020-21 as a substitute, extended-day teaching assistant, or floater.

SLA teachers are talented educators, attracted by the opportunity to have an impact on the growth and development of a flourishing young school. We offer a competitive benefits package, numerous avenues for community involvement, and a supportive environment, rich in opportunities for professional development and self-reflection.

NOTE: Due to uncertainty regarding Covid-19, this position may be performed in-person or remotely. Some job responsibilities listed below may change to accommodate a remote working environment for teachers, including hosting Zoom meetings and facilitating online activities.

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Responsibilities

- Plan and execute projects and activities that align with SLA's philosophy and curriculum
- Comply with all DoHMH regulations regarding day care child supervision
- Assist the lead teacher, or substitute for any teacher absences when needed
- Create a safe and enriching classroom experience that supports children's healthy development in language, social-emotional and physical abilities
- Contribute to the language-immersion environment by using Mandarin as the main language of instruction

Required Qualifications

- Impeccable fluency in Mandarin
- Ability to communicate clearly in English
- Degree in education, child development, or other related field
- At least some classroom teaching or supervisory experience with children ages 2-4
- Passion and commitment to working with early-childhood age youth
- Commitment to SLA's philosophy and values as detailed in the "About Our School" section of our website, slaschool.org

Preferred Qualifications

- Masters degree in education, child development, or other related field
- Three or more years of classroom teaching experience with early childhood-aged children
- Experience teaching with progressive methods (Bank Street, constructivist, Montessori, child-led/project-based, Waldorf/Steiner, Freinet, etc)
- Current CPR Pro / Advanced First Aid Certification is a plus

Benefits

- Subsidized Health insurance
- Low-cost dental and vision insurance
- Membership in One Medical
- Membership in Teladoc
- Discounted gym memberships

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- Wageworks Pre-Tax Transit Benefit (Part-Time Staff Eligible)
- Ability to purchase Supplemental Life Insurance
- Retirement Savings Plan (Part-Time Staff Eligible)
- Low-cost life insurance, short-term disability insurance, and long-term disability insurance (Part-Time Staff Eligible)
- Transit Credit (Part-Time Staff Eligible)

How To Apply

- Please submit a resume and a cover letter as your application. The cover letter should describe your educational philosophy, address how you would perform well in this role, identify key relevant experiences, and include your availability. Later in the application process, please be prepared to provide personal and professional references as requested.
- Resume and Cover Letter submissions should be sent to [hiring@slaschool.org](mailto: hiring@slaschool.org) and address your cover letter to the hiring manager. Please include the position title in the subject of your email.
- Only applicants deemed a good fit for this position will be contacted to schedule an interview.