

# Science Language & Arts

## Summer Camp Assistant Counselor, Mandarin Immersion

**Employee Classification:** W-2, Contract Period

**Schedule:** Full-time, Summer

Science, Language & Arts International School (SLA) is an independent school focused on project-based science, arts, and math and committed to a rich and rigorous multilingual education in French and Mandarin. Our Main Campus, located in the heart of Downtown Brooklyn, New York, serves an international and progressive community of families with students in Pre-K to Grade 5, and hosts external programming for all ages.

SLA is seeking a creative and dynamic Mandarin-immersion Assistant Counselor for our 2021 Summer Camp. Our Summer Camp is completely language-immersive and begins in late-June and runs through to early August. Counselors will supervise children in Pre-K to Grade 5, assisting groups in outdoor adventure, STEM exploration, and art throughout the day. This position reports to the Camp Director.

This is an excellent opportunity to foster a unique, learning environment that stimulates children's creative growth and development, as well as to network with a community of progressive, innovative educators. Permission to work in the United States is required.

**NOTE:** Our summer camp enforces strict COVID-19 prevention protocols, including use of face coverings during all camp activities, indoors or outdoors, hand and respiratory hygiene, social distancing from other individuals, and daily health screenings. SLA requires employees to remain home from work for 14 days following instances where an individual is exposed to elevated COVID-19 infection risk. This may be required if exposed to COVID-19 or if conducting restricted travel per the [NYS COVID-19 Travel Advisory](#). Staff must report COVID-19 symptoms to the administrative team immediately, and COVID-19 testing may be required to continue to work on-site.

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### Responsibilities

- Provide daily supervision of Pre-K-5th grade campers
- Guide campers in all camp activities such as science experiments, art projects, outdoor activities, and off-campus adventures
- Support senior counselors to maintain a fun, stimulating, and safe environment for campers
- Facilitate a Mandarin-language immersive learning environment, and reinforce the target language for all campers
- Comply with all NY Department of Hygiene and Mental Health (DoHMH) regulations regarding summer camps, including completing daily health checks for all

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campers, maintaining supervisory ratios, completing daily incident reports, etc.

- Complete a two-day counselor orientation prior to the start of camp (may be subject to change depending on social distancing orders in New York City)

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## Required Qualifications

- Native-level fluency in Mandarin
- Ability to communicate clearly in English
- Some experience working with children in Pre-K to Grade 5
- Some college experience
- Excellent group management skills
- Highly dynamic personality and hands-on, interactive approach
- Commitment to SLA's philosophy and values as detailed in the "About Our School" section and on our website: [www.slaschool.org](http://www.slaschool.org)

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## Preferred Qualifications

- Master's degree in education, child development, or other related field (or equivalent experience)
- Background in the arts or sciences
- Documented experience as a camp counselor, especially with students from Pre-K to Grade 5
- Classroom teaching experience in a language immersion environment is a plus
- Current CPR Pro / Advanced First Aid Certification is a plus

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## 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.

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