

PENINSULA SCHOOL
Physical Activities Teacher
Full-Time Position

An exciting opportunity to work in a school community committed to progressive education, diversity, and social justice. Peninsula School, one of the oldest progressive day schools in California, is renowned as a place where students love to come to school each day and where academics, the arts, and student's social and emotional development are all equally valued. Founded in 1925, Peninsula has 252 children, 3-14 years of age. Our supportive and welcoming staff invites enthusiastic and dedicated applicants to join our teaching staff in inspiring children to love learning.

Primary duties and responsibilities

The Physical Activities program is a critical component of each child's experience at Peninsula School. The Physical Activities Teacher is responsible for developing age-appropriate curriculum that meets the interests and needs of the children in each class. The purpose of the PA program is to build self-esteem, promote cooperative and enthusiastic group play and encourage children's confidence in physical activities.

General Responsibilities:

- Support and promote Peninsula School's mission and values
- Create and maintain a welcoming, safe, equitable and respectful learning environment that honors and values the diversity of the student population
- Assist children with improving interpersonal relationships and solving conflict
- Clearly articulate Physical Activities program and developmental goals
- Work closely with classroom teachers to support goals for each class and individual children
- Attend staff meetings, in-service meetings, and other meetings as appropriate and required
- Contribute constructively to staff collaboration and consensus building.
- Depending upon the needs of the school, specialists may be asked to attend parent-teacher conferences and/or class parent meeting
- Remain current on educational research, topics and progressive practices relevant to P.E.

Physical Education Program:

- Work with eleven groups of children, (K-8th), on a regularly-scheduled weekly basis
- Work with multi-age groups on a daily basis during afternoon "Activities" program
- Participate in Upper School "Choice" program

Qualifications: BA required. Diverse experiences and/or work with diverse populations preferred; Interest in children and progressive education and an understanding of child development; Ability to communicate well and forge cooperative relationships with teachers and students; Ability to work independently. A valid California driver's license is preferred; Experience with camping is a bonus.

To Apply: Peninsula School is an equal opportunity employer and we actively promote the principles and practices of diversity throughout the school community. We offer competitive compensation and a progressive community dedicated to learning and engaged citizenship. We encourage people of under-represented groups to apply (<http://www.peninsulaschool.org/equity-and-inclusion.html>). Please send cover letter and resume, in MS word or PDF format, to misha.m@peninsulaschool.org or fax to (650) 325-1313.