



## **Position: Full Time Physical Education Teacher**

We are currently seeking a motivated and dedicated Physical Education teacher. The role of the Physical Education Teacher is to work cooperatively with staff, students, families, and the community in order to address the physical needs of learners and implement a program that promotes a physically active lifestyle; develops cooperation, teamwork, and sportsmanship; and provides ample opportunity for students to engage in regular physical activity that promotes normal growth and development. The Physical Education Teacher is responsible for creating a classroom environment that fosters, promotes and develops an understanding of the relationship of healthy body function and exercise; that motivates each student to cultivate physical fitness, and appropriate social and emotional adjustment; that discovers and develop talents of students in physical achievement; and that develops strength, skill, agility, poise, and coordination in individual, dual and team physical activities and sports, in accordance with each student's ability. Bright is an equal opportunity employer, and we strongly encourage candidates of all backgrounds, genders, and abilities to apply.

## **About Bright School**

The Bright School was founded in 1913 by progressive educator Mary G. Bright and currently enrolls about 350 students from junior preschool age 3yrs. to fifth grade. From junior preschool through the elementary years, our school provides a seamless transition from grade to grade, each year building upon each other to prepare graduates for middle school and beyond. The majority of our graduates continue on to the best middle and high schools in Chattanooga and later to college. Our curriculum and activities are a blend of the hands-on and personalized learning upon which Miss Bright built her school and innovative practices of today that nurture and challenge students.

**Our Mission** The Bright School builds a foundation upon which students become wise and compassionate citizens of the world. Its century of progress fosters the intellectual, artistic, physical, and moral growth of young boys and girls.

## **Essential duties and responsibilities include:**

- Works collaboratively with the co-teacher to provide engaging, fun, and effective instruction that helps build a health and wellness foundation for young children in grades Junior Pre-Kindergarten through Fifth Grade.
- Demonstrates motivation and enthusiasm with a genuine passion for teaching young learners.
- Analyzes, demonstrates, and explains basic skills, knowledge and strategies of formal and informal sports, games, rhythms, and fundamentals of body movement.
- Coordinates school PE events such as High Jump, Scooter Races, Fifth Grade and Faculty Volleyball, Basketball, and Softball Games, and The Bright School Picnic.
- Provides maximum participation for all students; differentiates as needed to ensure all students experience success.

- Communicates in developmentally appropriate ways through a humane, sensitive approach which clearly communicates that every child, regardless of ability, can succeed and will benefit from a physically active, healthy lifestyle.
- Collaborates with school team members in providing ideas and support to increase health and wellness, movement and activity within the classroom.
- Evaluates fitness and social and emotional growth of students, prepares report cards, and keeps appropriate records as necessary.
- Prepares and manages an annual budget in collaboration with the immediate supervisor.
- Participate on the school's Wellness Committee to develop, implement and evaluate wellness initiatives throughout the school community.
- Provides appropriate safety instruction and makes safety checks on equipment and field areas to ensure the overall safety of students.
- Maintains control of storage, PE equipment, recess equipment, locker room, and school property.
- Participates in ongoing training and professional development.
- Fulfills normal duties outside of the classroom. (drop-off, pick-up, etc.)

**The ideal candidate will have the following qualifications:**

- Minimum of one year experience in teaching physical education or at least three years teaching experience.
- Working knowledge of Windows 10 and Google Suites.
- Good interpersonal and communication skills.
- Team player and interested in becoming an active and integral part of a school community.
- This position is a co-teacher role with shared responsibilities.

**Physical Demands/ Work Environment**

- Prolonged periods standing, walking and running throughout the gym and outside athletic areas.
- Must be able to lift up to 45 pounds at a time.
- Must be able to kneel, sit, stand, crawl, push, and pull to assist and teach children throughout the day.

**Required Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's, preferably Master's degree in Physical Education, Exercise Science or related field.
- Upholds our Bright School Operating Principals:
  - We honor our commitments.
  - We invest in and support each other's development.
  - We hold confidences.
  - We treat everyone with respect and kindness.
  - We have fun in our work.

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to: Renee Kropff, Assistant Head of School, Operations and Technology; [rkropff@brightschool.com](mailto:rkropff@brightschool.com) 423-305-6466

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