



Language Arts Teacher 2013-2014

Background

Deep Creek Middle School is a private day school in the settlement of Deep Creek on the island of Eleuthera in The Bahamas. It was founded in September 2001 with the goal of increasing access to educational resources for people in South Eleuthera. The school has grown to serve 42 students in grades 7, 8 & 9 and has created numerous opportunities that otherwise would not have been possible for students and families. The school offers an experiential approach to the Bahamian national curriculum.

The mission of Deep Creek Middle School is to provide a nurturing community that engages students with opportunities to learn in and out of the classroom. This promotes academic growth and responsible citizenship to prepare students to be the future leaders of The Bahamas. Our vision is to create a learning environment where students will not only learn the subject matter from The Bahamian national curriculum, but focus on academic growth, leadership, and responsible citizenship. In order to achieve these core values, our programs and curriculum teach critical thinking, problem solving, communication and social skills.

Deep Creek Middle School operates as a subsidiary of the Cape Eleuthera Foundation, a nonprofit organization, whose mission it is to provide place-based education, scientific research, and community leadership in order to create a more livable future on Eleuthera and throughout the world. As part of the Foundation, DCMS works closely with The Island School (islandschool.org) and the Cape Eleuthera Institute (ceibahamas.org) to offer students and staff a unique experience that connects them more intimately with their environment and sustainable development in South Eleuthera. Students at DCMS pay some tuition, but the majority of operating funds come from generous donations to The Cape Eleuthera Foundation.

Position Description

Candidates will be willing to work collaboratively with a dedicated group of colleagues and students in a flexible, team oriented environment. In your job, you must be willing to try new things and stretch beyond a traditional job description. Our faculty demonstrates resourcefulness by designing curriculum, developing partnerships within the local and Foundation community and engaging families to support the mission of DCMS. School is open five days a week from 8:00am until 5:00 pm. Teachers staff afterschool, weekend or evening tutoring, sports or literacy programs for the community several days a week.



A Unique Opportunity

- Compensation includes salary, housing, utilities, board, excellent international health plan, and continuing education allowance.
- Help shape the young leaders of tomorrow.
- A small, safe learning community of 42 students and six staff. Maximum class size of 14 students.
- An innovative curriculum which focuses on academic growth, responsible citizenship and leadership. Experiential methods include field trips, project-based learning, service learning and outdoor education.
- The opportunity to live and work closely with The Island School and Cape Eleuthera Institute to learn more about marine ecology and sustainability.
- International staff and dynamic community.
- Experience living abroad while only one hour from Florida. Enjoy the Caribbean island life and rich culture of The Bahamas.

Requirements

Those who join our high-functioning team will be committed to achieving the goals of DCMS and the Cape Eleuthera Foundation with everyone in our community. A minimum two-year commitment is required. We are an equal opportunity employer and especially encourage applications from young Bahamians.

- Teaching Credential and/or Masters degree
- A love of teaching reading and writing to a diverse range of learners
- Experience working with middle, high school or upper elementary students
- The ability to live and work in a remote location within a small community
- Excellent communication, social and problem-solving skills

If interested, please submit a resume and cover letter detailing your experience and interest by March 30, 2013. Explain why you and your philosophy are a match for our school. Must be in PDF format. Send to: Dr. Joanna Paul, Principal & Odette Pretty, Incoming Principal at 3ca2+6e11@app.catchthebest.com