

College Oak Montessori School Director

Full Time, Exempt Position (40 Hours/Week)
Annual Salary: \$65,000 - \$75,000
Please submit Cover Letter and Resume to crystal@collegeoak.org

Do you want to make a difference in the lives of children and families in Santa Rosa and Sonoma County? Are you dedicated to early childhood education in the Montessori tradition?

College Oak Montessori Schools (COMS) is looking for a passionate and motivated Director of our preschool. Reporting to the Board of Directors, the Director is responsible for the successful management of all aspects of the program: Montessori curriculum management; overseeing staff supervision, training, and scheduling; school planning; facilities management; community outreach; and fiscal sustainability. The Director also ensures that all enrolled children receive high-quality care based on the guidelines and requirements of the California Department of Education, Early Education Division.

Primary Duties and Responsibilities

Leadership and Administration:

- Develop and implement the school's vision, mission, and strategic goals following a
 Montessori approach to education, respect for/service to young children, and stewardship of
 the Earth.
- Provide strong leadership and guidance to the teaching staff and support personnel.
- Ensure compliance with all relevant regulations, policies, and licensing requirements.
- Manage the school's budget, resources, and facilities to be safe and sustainable.
- Work collaboratively with the Board of Directors and participate in committees when relevant.
- Support fundraising efforts such as special events, grant writing, alumni outreach, etc.

Staff Management and Development:

- Responsible for direct supervision of Lead Guides and other direct reports, including Office Manager/Associate Director, Kitchen Manager, and Outdoor Environment Manager.
- Provide ongoing and appropriate coaching, guidance, Montessori education, and support to members of the COMS community including staff, parents / guardians and Board of Directors.
- Lead, organize and/or participate in staff meetings, scheduled trainings, monthly office staff meetings, and Board of Directors meetings.
- At times, the Director will function as a Part-time Guide in the classroom when required.

Parent and Community Education:

- Establish and maintain strong relationships with parents, ensuring effective communication and involvement in their child's education.
- Collaborate with community organizations and agencies to enhance the preschool's programs and services.
- Organize and facilitate parent education opportunities.
- Maintain/improve all systems related to enrollment including recruitment, waiting list, tours, retention, etc.
- Instill a passion for exploration and learning early on with young children and their families.

Skills and Qualifications

- BA or higher in Early Childhood Education or Administration or related field
- Site Supervisor or Child Development Center Program Director Permit
- Knowledge of current trends in parenting, child care and child development.
- Strong leadership and people skills with ability to hire, train, coach and motivate staff.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills and ability to work with persons from various social, cultural, economic and educational backgrounds.
- Effective writing skills including proposals and reports.
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Demonstrated proficiency with computer technology, Google Suite and/or Microsoft Office Programs, internet and data analysis.
- Valid California driver's license and insured automobile.
- Available to work evening and weekend hours as needed.

College Oak Montessori School is an equal opportunity employer. COMS seeks to celebrate diversity in our community, integrating diversity and inclusion throughout every aspect of our school's activities.