Announcing the Vacancy for:

Kindergarten Teacher
at Jennings Elementary School

About The District

The Colfax School District serves approximately 550 students in two buildings: Colfax Junior/Senior High School (grades 7-12) and Jennings Elementary School (grades P-6). The district employs 38 certificated staff and 37 classified employees. 79% of the certificated staff hold advanced degrees.

Community support of the schools has been consistently outstanding. Colfax has supported bonds in 1991 for energy and technology upgrades and expansion of the elementary school; passed a $7.4 million dollar bond in 2003, which provided funds for an extensive renovation of the high school facility and construction of a third gymnasium; a capital levy in 2014 for security and energy upgrades in both buildings; and in 2018 passed an $18.9 million dollar bond with 73% support from the community. This bond will almost completely renovate the junior/senior high school and give much needed upgrades to the elementary gymnasium, roof and HVAC systems.

Student academic achievement and outstanding success in extracurricular activities are a great source of school and community pride. Colfax Schools continually receive local and national recognition for outstanding achievement.

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About the Position

The district is accepting immediate applications for a Kindergarten teacher with priority given to applications that evidence professional training and personal commitment to the whole range of primary learners.

Qualifications

Applicants must possess or be able to obtain before the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year, a Washington state teaching certificate with an elementary education endorsement.

All prospective employees being considered for employment will be required to complete a satisfactory background review as a condition of employment. The background review includes: Endorsement and certification checks to hold the position, evidence of physical, mental, and emotional health to meet the daily demands of the job, no convictions of sexual predator or child abuse laws of the state, investigation with prior employers, and evidence of being free from drug dependency. Colfax Schools are a tobacco free environment.

Expectations

The district will expect the successful applicant to demonstrate career interest in academic instruction. Assignment will include teaching in modernized schools in a collegial environment which supports learning strategies that cross over content subjects and emphasize responsible behaviors from students. The district is committed to high quality classroom instruction in all positions. The person employed will demonstrate a professional interest in the art and science of classroom teaching. The challenge requires one who will address the social/emotional needs of students, teach effective classroom lessons using active learning methods, organize effectively, hold students to high performance and behavior standards and invest time, energy, and service to students in the activity program.

Personal Qualities

- Is positive and consistent in working with students, staff, and parents.
- Works collaboratively with staff and administration.
- Is visible and involved in all aspects of the school.
- Is organized and manages time effectively.
- Exhibits the ability to plan for short and long term.
- Possesses a high level of energy and enthusiasm.
- Has a passionate belief in the potential of each individual student.
- Possesses high ethical standards and is true to his/her convictions.
- Is flexible, resourceful, and comfortable with change.
- Demonstrates outstanding communication skills.
- Demonstrates a sense of humor.
The School and Staff

Jennings Elementary School enrolls approximately 284 pupils in grades K-6. In addition, JES houses two Headstart classrooms where special education children are also served. The school has a proud tradition of excellence in teaching and learning. Our school has been recognized with several state awards in the past few years for academic achievement ranking in the top 3-5% of all schools in the state. Staff members have high expectations for student learning and behavior, consistently striving to support the students in a caring and nurturing school environment.

The current school facility was extensively renovated in 1992. In addition to 30 classrooms, it includes two gymnasiums, cafeteria, library, and two computer labs. The entire school is networked with over a hundred computers available to students and staff.

The most recent renovation, which began in the spring of 2019, included an updated HVAC system, updated the oldest and largest of the two gymnasiums and replaced the roof.

Mission Statement

“The mission of the Colfax School District, in partnership with families and community, is to prepare students to become responsible citizens who compete successfully in a changing world.”

Position Posting Timeline

- Announcement Date: June 11, 2020
- Closing Date: June 26, 2020
- Screening Begins: June 29, 2020
- Interviews Begin: July 6, 2020

The Application Process

Visit our website at www.csd300.org for FastTrack online application instructions.

The following documents need to be submitted electronically for a completed application:

- Brief letter of interest
- Letter (1-2 pages) explaining how the candidate’s qualifications and experience meet the expectations that have been established for the position
- A current resume
- Transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation
- Copy of teaching certificate