

Austin Jewish Academy (Austin, TX)

An innovative, K-8 Pluralistic Jewish Day School focused on Project-Based Learning

Position: Grade 3 Teacher (Reports to Assistant Head of School)

AJA is seeking a talented, motivated teacher to join our exceptional team of educators. The Grade 3 Teacher is responsible for planning, organizing, and implementing an outstanding instructional program aligned with AJA core values (*Integrity. Tradition. Empowerment. Community. Excellence. Tikkun Olam*) to help students develop and fulfill their academic potential. The main goal of our elementary program is for children to develop foundational literacy (Houghton-Mifflin) and math (Savvas enVision) skills, self-confidence, an enthusiasm for learning, respect and appreciation for one another, as well as Jewish values and character.

Teaching Responsibilities:

- Prepare classroom for optimal learning by using a variety of learning materials and resources, and ensure effective student use of materials and equipment.
- Plan, prepare, and deliver lesson plans with clear objectives and instructional materials that facilitate active and project-based learning.
- Develop and manage clear student assessments, including rubrics, tests, assignments, homework, and other ways to evaluate student progress, and use the data to adjust teaching strategies.
- Use technology to support and differentiate instruction.
- Maintain accurate, complete records of students' progress and development, including report cards and comments.
- Communicate necessary information regularly to students, colleagues, and parents regarding student progress and student needs.
- Demonstrate and maintain excellent classroom management skills consistent with school rules while emphasizing Conscious Discipline.
- Participate in department, school, and parent meetings.

Leadership and Professional Development Responsibilities:

- Develop and maintain positive relationships with families by communicating regularly, encouraging parent and community involvement, and sending out classroom newsletters.
- Participate in professional development activities that include positive and constructive feedback, as well as reflection activities.
- Participate in extracurricular activities (social/sporting activities, clubs, and student organizations).

Qualifications:

Bachelor's Degree, education or related field preferred. Minimum three years teaching experience. Collaborates well with others. Strong interpersonal and communication skills with children and adults. Adept with technology. Willing to perform other duties as needed to benefit the total school program. Most important, excited about Project-Based Learning, and eager to have a positive impact on an evolving school.

How To Apply:

Interested candidates should send a cover letter, resume, and two references to Mr. Kari Loya, Interim Head of School, at kari.loya@ajaschool.org

Start Date

The position would begin August 10 for the 2026-27 school year.

About Austin Jewish Academy

Founded in 1997, Austin Jewish Academy is a 115-student, K-8, co-ed, pluralistic Jewish Day School located on the beautiful 40-acre campus of the Dell Jewish Community Center. Our graduates are currently attending top colleges and universities including Harvard, Stanford, UT Austin, Rice, Duke, and many others. Through Project-Based Learning, timeless Jewish values, and a tight-knit community, AJA prepares and inspires students to transform the world. Learn more at www.ajaschool.org.