Math Specialist Grades 3 & 4

About the Park School

The Park School is a Pre-K to Grade 8 independent school in Brookline, MA dedicated to excellence in education. The cornerstone of Park’s program is academic excellence, combining both high standards of scholarship and the encouragement of each child to develop to his or her greatest potential. Our school community fosters a nurturing environment in which children develop curiosity, express creativity, appreciate the value of hard work and discipline, and experience the joy of learning. Park’s faculty encourages each student to strive for intellectual, physical and moral growth and to become contributing members of the community.

The Lower Division Math Specialist is a member of the school’s Lower Division (Pre-K - Grade 4) and reports to the Lower Division Head. In support of the school’s mission and curricular goals, this full time, 10-month position is responsible for supporting students and faculty in Grades 3 & 4 in collaboration with Lower Division Head. The Math Specialist will also collaborate with the Head of the Math Department and the other math specialist to work towards a cohesive math program PreK- Grade 8.

The Math Specialist approaches their work with flexibility and a collaborative spirit. In coordination with teachers, the specialist will work to ensure that students are meeting their full potential, especially when they are in need of advanced or remedial instruction. The math specialist will work to meet the needs of all learners through supporting teachers in the implementation of various models of differentiated instruction, including small groups. The Math Specialist will work with administrators and teachers to collect, analyze, and interpret data, and use it to guide instructional and curricular decisions.

Roles & Responsibilities

Students:

- Provide in-class support to students in Grade 3 & 4
  - Partner with teachers to provide differentiated instruction within the classroom. This could include but is not limited to working in small groups and providing students with various interventions and enrichments
  - Supplement the current math curriculum
  - Support teacher reflection, goal setting, and action planning for both student outcomes and teacher growth
  - Work with teachers to collect and analyze data and develop action plans in response to determined student needs

Teachers:

- In collaboration with teachers, design support and enrichment materials
- Provide engaging and essential professional development based on curricular and pedagogical needs
Introduce new ideas and current research about best teaching practices, as well as develop content knowledge in teachers

- Meet regularly with Grade Level teams and individual teachers
- In partnership with the Pre-K - 2 Math Specialist and Lower Division Head oversee the math assessment procedures, training, and data collection

School:

- Work with Math Department Head, Instructional Support Specialists, and Lower Division Head on curricular integration within and between grade levels and across the School
- Contribute to cross-divisional conversations ensuring best practices in math
- Serve on Pre-K - Grade 8 program review committee in a review year
- Participate in ongoing professional development
- Assume additional responsibilities (e.g. serving on committees and advising clubs) in other areas of school life

Qualifications

- Bachelor’s or Master’s degree in Elementary Education or other related fields preferred
- Minimum of 5 years teaching experience at the elementary level
- Depth of understanding in all aspects of mathematics development, research-based practices and current trends in elementary math education, with a focus on student development in Grades 3 - 4
- Creativity and innovation in curriculum and instruction, with a large repertoire of learning strategies and teaching methods, including differentiated instruction and student-centered learning
- Demonstrated success with faculty support and facilitating professional growth (i.e., coach, mentor, teacher leader, etc.)
- Experience using a variety of assessment data to inform instruction

Application Information

- To apply, visit the posting on our careers page and click apply. Please submit a cover letter, resume, and statement of teaching philosophy with your application.
- The Park School offers competitive salaries and benefits, including a strong professional development program.
- We welcome candidates who will add to the diversity of our community and who have demonstrated commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion in their teaching and learning.
- The Park School is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin, ancestry, sex, disabilities, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression or family composition or any other status protected by applicable law in the administration of its employment, education, admission, financial aid, and other policies and programs.