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Position Announcement

Position: Growing Readers Specialist
Application Deadline: April 12, 2022
Effective Date: June 1, 2022 or July 1, 2022

Minimal Qualifications:

- 5 years of relevant teaching and/or teacher leadership experience
- Valid Georgia teaching certificate
- Successful teaching experience in K-3 reading
- Personal characteristics that enable the candidate to work effectively with educators of all backgrounds
- Communicate efficiently and effectively
- Manage complex tasks and timelines independently and proactively while working away from direct supervision
- Willingness to travel statewide including some overnight travel
- Experience leading professional learning for adults

Preferred Qualifications:

- Commit for a minimum of two years
- Master's degree or higher in the teaching of reading
- Former participant in a Growing Readers school
- Prior successful experience as a lead teacher, mentor, Teacher Support Specialist, instructional coach or similar position
- Openness to receiving feedback and learn from others
- Devotion to continuous growth
- Experience conferring with readers
- Knowledge of leveled texts and matching texts to readers

Specific Responsibilities:

- attend and support professional learning sessions
- deliver professional learning
- provide onsite coaching and support in classrooms for participating teachers a minimum of once a month
- model lessons, collaboratively teach, provide appropriate feedback, set goals and encourage reflection
- document work through calendars and quarterly reports
- assist teachers with resource selection and orders
- attend all statewide Growing Readers Specialists meetings
- intern alongside a Growing Readers Certification Specialist (mentor)
- collect BOY, MOY, and EOY student reading data for participating teachers
- conduct three formal observations per teacher, per year
- communicate with school leadership regarding the progress of Growing Readers
- provide support with sustaining practices in the future
- collaborate with other RESA Specialists
- complete calibration exercises successfully

Employment Terms: 230-day contract with competitive salary and compensation package

Responsible to: Metro RESA Executive Director

Email letter of interest, a current resume, and a copy of your current Georgia Teaching Certificate to:

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