

# **Detroit Country Day School** UPPER SCHOOL HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE TEACHER

**Q** Beverly Hills, Michigan

# START DATE: August 15, 2024



Detroit Country Day School is a private, independent, co-educational, non-denominational, preschool through grade 12, college preparatory school focused on a well-rounded liberal arts education. Emphasis on academics, arts, athletics, and character development is prevalent across the curriculum. DCDS believes diversity, equity and inclusion are educational imperatives for the intellectual, social, and moral growth of every child. We honor the dignity of every human being and value the differences that exist and are expressed throughout our vibrant school.

## **POSITION SUMMARY:**

Join our vibrant and dynamic academic community as an **Upper School History and Social Science Teacher** at Detroit Country Day School, an independent institution committed to fostering critical thinking, effective writing skills, and meaningful student relationships. We are seeking an enthusiastic educator who is passionate about inspiring students to engage with the complexities of history and social sciences while nurturing their intellectual curiosity and fostering a love for learning.

#### **PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Teacher in the History and Social Science Department, grades
  9-12
  - Design and implement an engaging, comprehensive curriculum that aligns with the school's mission and values, emphasizing critical thinking and analytical skills.



- Integrate diverse perspectives, primary sources, and relevant current events into lesson plans.
- Foster a dynamic and inclusive learning environment that encourages student participation and active engagement.
- Utilize innovative and student-centered teaching methods to cultivate critical thinking, analytical writing, and effective communication skills.
- Collaborate with department members to achieve the department and school mission and contribute to the development and coordination of the department's curriculum.
- Maintain consistent and appropriate communication with students, parents and advisors to foster student growth and development.

- Mentor and develop student relationships.
  - Establish and maintain positive, respectful, and supportive relationships with students, understanding and responding to their individual needs.
  - Serve an advisor to a small group of students. Advisors communicate and consult with parents over all aspects of their children's education – academic, social, and emotional.
- Commitment to Professional Development.
  - Stay current with educational best practices, particularly Mind Brain Education, and advancements in history and social science education.
  - Collaborate with colleagues to share insights, strategies, and resources for continuous improvement.
  - Stay abreast of trends and best practices in technology use for students and faculty.
- Contribute to the school community through active participation in department meetings, school events, and extracurricular activities.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor degree in a HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCE related field; advanced degree preferred.
- Proficient and enthusiastic user of technology with an understanding of technology's role in the classroom.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Professional collegiality, a desire to grow, and enthusiasm for young people.

### **PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Experience with and appreciation of teaching 9th grade students.
- Experience in helping students develop writing and research skills.
- Global/Ancient/Non-Western History/Studies background.
- Athletic Coaching/Playing experience.
- Recognize health and safety are responsibilities of every employee, take responsible care of self and others, and comply with the school health and safety policies and any specific procedures/rules that might apply to this position.

# HOW TO APPLY:

Detroit Country Day School has partnered with DovetailED on this search. Interested candidates should email a cover letter (addressed to Upper School Director John Corrigan), a resume, and a list of at least three professional references consolidated as a single PDF document to Zack Lehman at <u>zack@dovetailedsourcing.com</u>.

