

## **Math Learning Specialist**

Type: Full-Time, 10-month position

Supervisor: Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Start Date: August 2024

Mission Statement: Catherine Cook School is a vibrant learning community that fosters curiosity, develops

critical thinking, and inspires compassionate leadership for students in preschool through 8th grade.

**Diversity Statement**: Catherine Cook School is committed to creating and sustaining a diverse and compassionate community grounded in a culture of integrity.

At Catherine Cook, we value a diverse and inclusive community. We define diversity as the range of differences and similarities between social identifiers, including: race, socio-economic status, ability, age, gender identity, sexual identity, religion, and ethnicity. The ideal candidate is eager to join this type of professional community. We specifically seek candidates from underrepresented backgrounds.

## **Job Description**

Catherine Cook School seeks a full-time dynamic and innovative Math Learning Specialist. This teacher will join our DEI/Wellness Team which includes four other learning specialists, among other members. This position is both student- and adult-centered, as the Specialist will work with students in a variety of settings and collaborate closely with classroom teachers, administrators, outside evaluators and tutors, and parents/guardians, all toward supporting students with math-based neurodivergent learning needs.

General responsibilities will include, but are not limited to:

- Analyzing and interpreting psycho-educational evaluations to create individual learning plans that include evidence-based interventions in mathematics
- Screening, observing, and evaluating students for learning and/or attention supports
- Providing individualized and small group instruction in math literacy to identified students
- Training students in self-advocacy and executive function skills
- Assisting teachers with differentiating math instruction
- Providing teachers with training and modeling of instructional best practices in mathematics education to meet the needs of students across the learning spectrum
- Participating in meetings regarding students of academic concern and assisting in determining what recommendations should be made to help students succeed
- Serving as a liaison between the home, school, and outside professionals
- Leading parent/guardian education workshops
- Participating in all school, divisional, departmental and professional learning community meetings
- Participating in school staff duties such as lunch and arrival/dismissal duties

## Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Learning Disabilities, Specialist Education, Math Education or a related field
- Elementary Mathematics Specialist (EMS) certification preferred
- Experience working within the field of learning disabilities or special education
- Experience building supportive relationships with students in Lower and Middle School grade levels

- Experience with teaching and supporting students in mathematics-based learning challenges, including but not limited to dyscalculia
- Experience remediating grade-level math curriculum in Lower and Middle School grade levels
- Experience navigating the Chicago Public Schools system for acquiring 504 Plans and IEPs for identified students
- Excellent communication skills and the ability to work effectively with students, parents/guardians, faculty and staff

Catherine Cook School's educational program focuses on the whole child. Establishing and maintaining positive relationships with children is the foundation of our pedagogical approach. Curriculum must be developmentally appropriate and support the growth of knowledge, skills, and personal assets of children. Click here to learn more about our strategic plan and our future.

Compensation and benefits are competitive and commensurate with education and experience. Visit <a href="mailto:catherinecookschool.org">catherinecookschool.org</a> to learn more about our school and culture. Catherine Cook School is an equal-opportunity employer.

Qualified candidates, please <u>click here</u> to complete an application with resume and cover letter. If you have questions or need additional information, please reach out to the hiring manager, <u>Motoko L. Maegawa</u>, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.