



## Atelierista

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St. Paul School of Northern Lights is a public charter school serving students in grades K-8 in St. Paul, Minnesota. St. Paul School of Northern Lights is looking for an instructional leader who is passionate about the mission, vision, and educational philosophies of the school with a desire to support and collaborate with teachers in their ongoing development.

### Required Qualifications

- Teaching experience
- Experience with studio art
- Experience with the Northern Lights' foundational philosophies: the Reggio-Emilia, Finnish, and Place-Based approaches to education
- Commitment to the Northern Lights' Mission and Vision

### Preferred Qualifications

- MN teaching licensure
- Experience working in urban school settings with diverse student populations
- Teaching experience in a Reggio-Emilia inspired environment
- Experience with adult collaboration
- Experience coaching teachers
- Strong written and Reggio-Emilia inspired documentation skills

### Successful candidates will...

- Understand that:
  - Our learners are competent and curious
  - Relationships are central to our work as educators
  - Knowledge is *constructed* by the learner in a social context
  - Multiple points of view deepen understanding
  - The environment drives learning
- Communicate effectively, building strong relationships colleagues, students, families, and the broader community
- Commit to engaging in conversations and work that challenges and disrupts systemic oppression and oppressive narratives
- Enjoy working at both the systems level and with individual staff members
- Appreciate uncertainty: value participating in a dynamic and evolving educational process
- Value collaboration
- Demonstrate leadership throughout the school, school community, and broader Reggio-Emilia community
- Demonstrate cultural competence
- Possess and foster creativity and imagination
- Enjoy work that is active and dynamic

### Basic functions and responsibilities:

- Facilitate and sustain a system to introduce and explore materials with students in the Studio
- Listen to children and collaborate with teachers to support the development of meaningful projects and experiences that explore students' 100 languages
- Collaborate with the School Leader, Pedagogista and Teacher Leaders to plan and facilitate ongoing staff support, development, and collaboration
- Support teachers with documentation and developing skills to make student thinking and learning visible to students, families, colleagues and community
- Support teachers in developing their understanding and application of Reggio principles
- Collaborate and communicate with students, families and colleagues in support of students and our community
- Make visible the work of the school to others in the field through professional workshops, presentations, social media, communication with visitors, and external collaboration
- Support prospective and current family engagement in the school and with Reggio principles
- Attend and facilitate all-school events during the school year
- Serve on the school's Pedagogy Committee
- Supervise students and support the operations of the school as necessary

### Start Date: Summer, 2024

This is a salaried, school-year position with the option for additional summer employment based on qualifications and interest.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to Rachel Ngendakuriyo at [employment@schoolofnorthernlights.org](mailto:employment@schoolofnorthernlights.org).

Thank you for your interest in St Paul School of Northern Lights. SPSNL is authorized by Innovative Quality Schools.