



## Elementary Teacher Job Description

### Purpose of Position:

Des Moines Christian School Teachers are student-focused professionals who fulfill the mission of DMC as the most significant school-related influence on student achievement. DMC teachers are supported and empowered through a shared vision of learning to foster a school culture of academic excellence and spiritual growth where learners flourish.

### Position:

- Full-time
- School Year
- Salaried, contracted employee
- Full-Time Benefit Eligible / School Year

**Reports To:** Head of Elementary

**Evaluated By:** Head of Elementary

**Direct Reports:** None

### Qualifications:

- Minimum of a BS/BA in education.
- Applicable Iowa License or holds ACSI Certification (or is able to obtain for the position).
- In agreement with the Des Moines Christian School (DMCS) Statement of Faith.
- Active member/regular attendee of Bible-believing church and committed to growth in his/her relationship with Jesus Christ.

### Professional Profile:

- Committed to the mission of DMC: *Equipping minds and nurturing hearts to impact the world for Christ.*
- A teacher and learner at heart who loves students of all ages and exudes enthusiasm for shepherding the growth of children.
- Characterized with integrity and maintains confidentiality.
- Utilizes critical thinking and problem-solving skills.
- Demonstrates consistent spiritual leadership.
- Demonstrates effective verbal and written communication skills.
- Adapts communication style to suit different audiences.
- Uses multiple strategies to deliver instruction that meets the needs of learners.
- Exhibits initiative for working with minimal direct supervision.

### Responsibilities:

- Ensures the DMC mission drives all curricular and extracurricular activities.
- Exhibits a love of teaching and a passion to see each student succeed.
- Integrates a biblical worldview in daily instruction that examines God's creation, man's brokenness, the redemption of Christ, and God's future restoration. Coupled with classroom discussion, faculty create formational learning experiences (FLEx) that engage students in real-world opportunities to impact the world for Christ.



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- Develops trusting, productive relationships with students in order to create a safe, positive, and productive learning environment.
- Possesses knowledge about cognitive, social, and emotional development of learners including how students learn at any given developmental level, how students progress in a certain subject area, awareness of individual needs and abilities, how to tailor instruction to meet each learner's needs, and how to assess learning appropriate for the age and content area.
- Demonstrates expertise in a given content or subject area as well as knowledge of the standards, learning targets, and appropriate materials for the student age and content area.
- Solicits feedback from students to self-reflect on their own teaching, set goals for improvement, and grow in the craft of teaching.
- Engages in ongoing professional growth conversations with the Principal.
- Demonstrates patience, care, and kindness for all learners and families.
- Partners with parents through effective, consistent communication.
- Serves as a collaborative, productive team member who participates in professional learning communities, school events, department meetings, and other committee work that enhances the experience for faculty and students at Des Moines Christian School.
- All other duties as assigned.