

Project Based Learning Leader — The New School, Atlanta

(Part Time Position)

The New School (TNS), an independent four-year high school in Atlanta, offers an innovative curriculum which blends traditional academic study and community engaged learning, creating opportunities for students to do work that is meaningful and relevant to their lives. TNS uses multiple experiential learning opportunities to supplement a rigorous college prep program equipping students with the competencies they'll need to thrive. TNS students apply their classroom learning in the real world through major interdisciplinary projects, a year long entrepreneurship program, professional internships, and in the process develop portfolios of exceptional work and experiences. To learn more, please visit www.tnsatlanta.org.

The New School was founded in 2014, and demand for places has rapidly increased with over five applicants for each open place in the 9th grade intake. TNS will enroll 15-20 students for the 2016-17 academic year for a total enrollment of 55 students. The 2016-17 student body will include 2 seniors and 18 juniors.

Position Description

The New School seeks a driven, innovative, educator to lead the development and execution of a series of major interdisciplinary projects for 9th and 10th grade students. The PBL Leader will build relationships with community partners, coordinate with subject teachers, to design a series of real-world projects that nurture the entrepreneurial mindset and leave students with a portfolio of relevant experiences and skills. The PBL Leader should be fluent in design thinking, an experienced project manager, excellent written and verbal communicator, have an entrepreneurial mindset, and a passion for high school education.

Essential Job Functions

Below are some of the tasks required of this position:

- Design a series of one to two month-long projects for 9th and 10th grade students
- Build and maintain partnerships with Community Based Learning (CBL) project partners and organizations
- Coordinate with CBL partner organizations to co-design projects
- Engage CBL mentors and speakers to work with TNS students
- Plan and lead in-school relevant instruction and workshop sessions
- Manage the completion of deliverables by the students for each project
- Design rubrics to facilitate peer review, reflection, and project tuning
- Outline and evaluate learning outcomes for student work and progress
- Curate exhibitions of student work and pitch events
- Attend summer project planning and leadership meetings
- Attend bimonthly faculty meetings after school and planning/work days throughout the year
- Participate in and attend all recruitment events (e.g., Information Sessions and Open Houses)
- Participate in planning and attend all Exhibitions, Curriculum Nights, Parent Events
- Assist in the design and implementation of research-based curriculum
- Maintain the school culture of continuous reflection and growth
- Use detailed data analysis of student performance to inform best practices

All faculty and staff are expected to embody the following New School values:

- The belief that students should be architects of their own learning

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- A commitment to knowing students well and serving as their guide
- A passion for innovation, collaboration and participation in a community of learning

Other qualifications:

- Undergraduate degree
- Masters degree preferred
- Two years of experience in entrepreneurship or a project management field preferred

To apply or learn more, please send a resume and cover letter to careers@tnsatlanta.org. The New School is accepting applications through March 31st.