# Job Description: Early Learning Islamic Educator (Ages 4-9 years old)

## **Position Overview:**

WVMA is seeking a dedicated and passionate Early Learning Educator to join our Weekend Islamic School, focusing on children aged 4-6 years old. As an Early Learning Educator, you will play a vital role in creating a nurturing and engaging learning environment that teaches Islamic principles and aligns with some principles of the Montessori and Waldorf teaching methods. Your aim will be to inspire a love for learning and practicing Islam, help build students' connection with Allah and the Quran, foster creativity and instill a sense of wonder and curiosity in our young students.

### **Responsibilities:**

### Lesson Development and Classroom Management:

- Design and implement developmentally appropriate and engaging lessons that follows the set curriculum and achieves the learning objectives as outlined by WVMA.
- Cultivate a warm and inclusive classroom environment where each student feels safe, respected and valued.

### Individualized Learning:

- Instruct students in Islamic values and principles in an engaging manner.
- Encourage independent and cooperative learning and guide students to explore Islam and its purpose in their lives.
- Integrate artistic activities to enhance students' creativity and self-expression
- Use storytelling, drama and role playing to engage students in imaginative play and convey key Islamic principles.
- Incorporate nature-based learning experiences into the lesson that foster a connection with Allah and encourage an appreciation for the natural world and Allah's creation.
- Be open minded and facilitate discussions and exploration around students' questions about the Islamic faith and their experiences and emotions.
- Observe and assess the development progress of each student and tailor teaching methods to meet their unique needs and interests.
- Provide individualized support and challenges to ensure the academic and emotional growth of every student.

#### **Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education or a related field (preferred).
- Experience in teaching early learners, preferably with knowledge of Islamic education.
- Experience in Montessori and Waldorf teaching methods (strongly preferred).
- Passion for working with young children and a genuine interest in their holistic development.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills.
- Creativity, adaptability and a nurturing approach to meet the diverse needs of young students.

# Compensation:

- Compensation in the range of \$25 \$35/ hour, in accordance with experience
- Estimated 5 hours of work per week

We invite qualified and enthusiastic individuals to apply for this position. If you are committed to creating a joyful and inspiring learning journey for our early learners, we look forward to receiving your application. *To apply, please submit your resume to info@wvmuslim.org* by **5 pm on August 18th, 2023.** 

# Job Description: Islamic Educator (Ages 10-16 years old)

# **Position Overview:**

WVMA is seeking a dynamic and enthusiastic Educator for our Weekend Islamic School to lead an engaging and interactive educational experience for students aged 10-16 years old. As an educator, you will play a pivotal role in fostering a deep understanding of Islamic principles, values and moral concepts through project-based learning, exploration and meaningful discussions. Your innovative teaching approach will empower students to develop critical thinking skills, encourage active participation and cultivate a strong connection to Allah and Islam.

# **Responsibilities:**

- Develop and implement creative and age-appropriate lesson plans that integrate project based learning and explorations through discussion on Islamic teachings, ethics and values.
- Foster an inclusive and welcoming classroom environment where students feel comfortable in expressing their thoughts and asking questions.
- Utilize a variety of teaching methods that use multiple mediums including outdoor play, arts and crafts, storytelling, and journaling.
- Lead meaningful discussions that encourage students to think critically, analyze situations from an ethical perspective and apply Islamic teachings to real-life scenarios.
- Create opportunities for students to take ownership of their learning by encouraging them to propose and lead projects related to Islamic principles and community service.
- Provide individualized support to students, addressing their unique learning needs and ensuring their active participation and growth.
- Collaborate with parents and the wider community to create a holistic learning experience that extends beyond the classroom.
- Organize and participate in special events, workshops and field trips that enrich students' understanding of Islamic values and their role in society.
- Continuously assess and evaluate students' progress, adjusting teaching methods as needed to optimize learning outcomes.

# **Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree in Education or Islamic Studies or related field (strongly preferred).
- Strong passion for teaching and a deep commitment to Islamic education and moral development.
- Proven experience in project-based learning, inquiry based teaching and facilitating meaningful discussions.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills to connect with students, parents and the community.
- Knowledge of Islamic teachings, ethics and values relevant to students' age group.
- Positive attitude with a growth mindset approach and patience and strong classroom management skills.
- Prior experience in teaching Islamic subjects to older children is preferred.

### Compensation:

- Compensation in the range of \$25 \$35/ hour, in accordance with experience
- Estimated 5 hours of work per week

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