Visionary Educator Wanted:
Middle and High School Science Teacher

DO NOT APPLY WITHOUT SENDING A CUSTOMIZED COVER LETTER that describes your experience and why you would like to work SPECIFICALLY at Longview School.

Open Position: Science Teacher, 5-12 grades
Dates of Employment: August 29, 2022 to June 16, 2023
Hours: 5 days per week—3 days per week 8:15 AM to 3:20 PM; 2 days per week 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM
Compensation: $3,300 per month (Sept.-June)

Are you someone who has thought: “There is so much wrong with traditional education. If I were to design a school, I would do it better.” If you have, then Longview may be the right place for you.

We are looking for a Science teacher who is interested in learning our innovative educational model and applying their own ideas to make it better.

The Model

Student Empowerment
Longview is based on the idea that students should have more control over their school.

➢ Academically, students make choices about the classes offered and even the way content is taught.
➢ Structurally, students take the lead in running the school through their participation in the school legislature and judiciary.

Skills-Based Education
Students focus on learning skills, not memorizing facts.

Authenticity
Learning in classes avoids busywork and worksheets, and instead replicates the work done by professionals in the field. For example, in a history class the students replicate the work of historians, sociologists, and politicians. In a Science class, students act as amateur scientists, making hypotheses, testing them, recording the results, and describing their conclusions. Assignments have meaning beyond leading to a course grade or preparation for a test.
Deeply Engaging Content
Students learn by thinking, debating, and presenting ideas, rather than just passively absorbing the ideas of others.

Socio-Emotional Development
Students are supported in becoming resourceful, independent, confident, self-regulating young adults. Being smart isn’t enough. Our students also learn how to be happy people, who are self-aware and socially adept.

Ready for the Future

3. Navigate the wider context with agility

2. Interact effectively in groups

1. Know and Grow Self

- Understand Self
- Manage & Change Self
- Learn

- Understand Others
- Understand impact on others
- Express Self
- Manage relationships
- Positively apply knowledge, skills to create change
- Monitor relevant aspects
- Thrive in the wider context
- Understand the wider context

Qualifications
We are looking for someone who wants to be a leader in the democratic, self-directed education movement. If you have considered starting your own school or have only wanted to work in a school where students are honored for who they are and supported in who they can become, then Longview may be the place for you.

We are looking for a Science teacher who

- is able to teach 5th to 12th grade Science classes and electives;
  - General Science to middle school students
  - Each of the core areas for high school (Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics--Chemistry will be the focus for the 2022-23 school year)
- is comfortable with technology;
  - Use of computers and some Virtual Reality apps will be required
- has experience teaching Science in a middle or high school setting or has some other life experience that has prepared them for doing so; and
- is excited by the freedom to develop and choose curricula for their classes.
Since our school includes students with a variety of learning challenges as well as typical learners, a special education background is also a plus.

The right person also might be

- a newly graduated Science teacher who is hesitant to work in a traditional public school;
- a Science teacher who is looking for a school teaching environment with small classes and more personalized educational opportunities;
- a parent who is unwilling to send her/his child(ren) to public school, wants to be a part of their education, and has the background described above;
- someone retired from teaching who can't stay away from education and is excited about a school where students have equal power and respect in a school community;
- a person with real-life skills who wants to apply her/his knowledge through teaching;
- someone who is uniquely qualified for reasons we haven’t yet considered.

Minimum Education Requirements: We require a candidate to have at least a Bachelor’s Degree, preferably either in one of the sciences, education, or psychology. A Master’s degree is desirable.

Application Instructions

2. Learn more about our school: www.longviewschool.org
4. Send a customized cover letter that describes your experience and why you would like to work SPECIFICALLY at Longview School, and how your background makes you a suitable candidate. Generic cover letters will be returned. Send in your CUSTOMIZED cover letter AND resume by email to info@longviewschool.org or by mail to Longview School, 571 North Main Street, Brewster, NY 10509.

What We’re Offering

Hours: 5 days per week as follows—3 days per week from 8:15 AM to 3:20 PM and 2 days per week from 8:15 AM to 4:45 PM. The work hours would be as described above, and will also require a few additional, community events each year.

Compensation: We are offering a teacher salary of $3,300 per month (Sept.-June). This salary covers all the required hours and work described above, and the required community events (with no extra compensation for the 3 staff conference days in August). Health insurance is not included, but you can buy into the Longview health care plan by paying the full price for coverage. Longview staff are not paid during July and August, although some paid opportunities for curriculum development may be available.