

Upper School Science Teacher Kingswood Oxford School West Hartford, CT

## Starting August 2024

Kingswood Oxford is seeking an Upper School Science teacher who is passionate, innovative, and collaborative – an educator who models a growth mindset and is committed to equity-focused pedagogy. In addition to having a strong educational background and teaching experience in Science, successful candidates will be technologically savvy, have experience with curriculum design, and model best teaching practices. Candidates should also understand the importance of involvement in the community, student engagement and empowerment, ongoing professional development, and authentic collaboration with other faculty and staff to advance the school's mission and strategic vision. On the whole, optimal teaching candidates at Kingswood Oxford will show the following traits:

- Collaborative: works well with others, pitches in, pushes others in their practice
- Curious: about their subject, students, the world, teaching and learning; approaches new ideas with openness rather than judgment
- Innovative: excited to try new things, willing to fail; excited to offer students agency and choice
- Joyful: likes kids; enjoys being with students, sees their potential, works to understand how they operate
- Self-aware: clear how they set the weather in the classroom; engages in the continuous practice of self-knowledge to create equitable/inclusive learning communities

Curricularly, successful candidates should have a background in teaching Biology and Genetics and be qualified to lead the development of a cutting-edge Biomedical Science program whose curriculum aligns with industry standards and prepares students for careers in biomedical science and related fields. Successful candidates must integrate real-world applications, industry connections, and research opportunities to enhance the program's relevance and impact.

The position involves multiple parts:

- Teaching 4 classes in Science.
- Coaching/co-curricular duties for one season or the equivalent.
- Advising a small group of students.

These duties will be determined in discussion with the Department Chair, Director of Athletics, and the Division Head.

Located in West Hartford, Connecticut, <u>Kingswood Oxford</u> is a coeducational, independent day school for motivated students in grades 6-12. KO actively seeks to attract and welcome a diverse population of students, faculty, and staff, including differences in race, color, religion, nationality or ethnic origin, gender expression, gender identity, and sexual orientation. At KO we believe that a diversity of ideas and perspectives enriches our community and improves our understanding. We continually work to increase equity and access within our learning community and seek candidates who are similarly committed to this work. If you would like to join us in this work, we welcome your application.

More information can be found at <a href="https://www.kingswoodoxford.org/">https://www.kingswoodoxford.org/</a>

To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references to jobopenings@kingswoodoxford.org.

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A quick note about COVID and the 24-25 school year. Kingswood Oxford has worked hard to establish and maintain health and safety protocols that allow students to learn in person. Courses are taught on campus and a COVID-19 vaccine mandate (with certain exemptions) is in effect for both students and staff.