

Early Education Lead Teacher, Montessori Program

Start Date: August 1, 2024 Full time, 10-month position St. Benedict Classical Academy South Natick, MA

St. Benedict Classical Academy—a Catholic, classical, character-focused elementary school serving children ages 3-12—is currently seeking a qualified, experienced Lead Early Childhood Educator to join the faculty of our growing Montessori-inspired Early Education program.

We are looking for a dynamic, creative educator who is enthusiastic about our Christ-centered mission, has deep knowledge about early childhood development and education, has a warm, positive approach to teaching and collaborating and is excited to take part in the continued development of a well-enrolled/resourced Early Education Program rooted in Montessori methodology and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd religious formation. Montessori certification, training and/or experience would be highly valued but are not required. We are open to providing needed Montessori and/or CGS training to the right candidate who is looking for a long-term position.

This new Lead Teacher will partner with an experienced Assistant Teacher and serve a class of roughly 15-18 students between ages of three and five. Our new Lead Teacher will be provided with a classroom which is already outfitted with Montessori Children's House materials and will also have the opportunity to enhance/re-envision their classroom space this summer.

SBCA attracts families from nearly forty towns in Greater Boston, all of whom partner fully with their children's exceptional teachers in forming students to become the saints they are called to be. As we look forward and plan for the 12th year of our K-8 program and the 7th year of our early childhood education program, we look back on more than a decade of sustained growth and vibrancy. Enrollment, faculty, staff, administration and even our physical footprint have all quadrupled in size over this period of time. Our tight-knit, friendly and engaged faculty have moved to the area from across the nation to join us in building a school for the Lord's work, which acts as a beacon of hope and joy in the Greater Boston education and Catholic communities. This spring marks the groundbreaking for our permanent campus. Now is an incredible time to join us!

This unique opportunity in the youngest part of our program is calling those searching for a new professional home where they can unite their Faith with their teaching career and make a positive impact in the lives of our young students and their families. (Competitive salary and benefits commensurate with education/experience.)

The Ideal Candidate will have:

- A strong commitment to our school's mission and the Catholic faith
- A Bachelor's Degree (preferably in a directly relevant field of study: early childhood education, elementary
 education, special education, child psychology, etc.)
- Enthusiasm for and facility with teaching within the Montessori prepared environment for early learning
- Knowledge of and respect for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Religious education (CGS Level 1 training or willingness to undertake training.)
- A positive outlook, good sense of humor and willingness to help continue to build a new program at a young school.
- A deep and meaningful love of working with young children and their primary educators, their parents.
- Ability to enjoy lots of outdoor time with students all year round, in all kinds of weather conditions.
- Ability to handle the at-times physically demanding work of teaching/caring for three, four and five year old children (can include heavy lifting, frequent squatting/kneeling, 30+ minute periods of standing.)

Please direct inquiries and resumes to Headmaster, Jay Boren at iboren@stbca.org