

SUMMARY

The role of the elementary Russian teacher is to share, understand, and implement the Mission and Values of the School. The teacher is expected to reflect upon current teaching practice, identify strengths and weaknesses, and set goals in order to pursue educational excellence and high standards of learning outcomes for the students. All learning at TIS is guided by our Learning Principles.

TIS Learning Principles

- Learning involves individual choice, autonomy and agency.
- Learning is a process of inquiry, feedback and reflection in authentic contexts.
- Learning is enhanced through individual and community relationships.
- Learning is enhanced in a physical environment that is safe, welcoming, adaptable and inspiring.
- Learning transcends disciplines.
- Learning is essential to the creation of a better world.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Make successful student learning the central consideration in all aspects of decision making
- Communicate and model the kinds of behaviors and relationships required to succeed at TIS
- Create a safe, stimulating and inviting learning environment to promote student-centered, inquiry based learning of Russian language
- Identify the essential outcomes for each grade and provide appropriate assessment strategies
- Develop engaging course materials for students to complete in the classroom which relate to their everyday life and tie in with their other classes
- Promote students' active engagement through multiple means of engagement, expression and representation (e.g. paired conversations and comprehensible input),
- Ensure a variety of teaching methods are used to help reinforce students Russian language skills
- Evaluate students' ability and understanding using the appropriate curriculum outcomes
- Participate in school wide activities, such as workshops and special events to help promote the use of the Russian language
- Differentiate to access the learning styles of all students
- Document all curriculum on Toddle
- Communicate regularly via Toddle with students' parents to inform them of their child's progress in the classroom and record and provide accurate information on progress to students and parents
- Follow all formal reporting processes including conferences and written reports
- Collaborate with other teachers to develop school-wide policies and create an overall better learning environment
- Work with Secondary language teachers to ensure a coherent curriculum
- Identify and organize trips and visitors (both on site and virtual) connected to Russian language
- Plan and deliver parent education around language learning at TIS
- Participate in professional development activities and follow the TIS professional growth process
- Contribute to the cocurricular program and wider life of the school (e.g. school assemblies and events).

Qualifications and Experience

- A Bachelor's degree from an accredited university (preferably in language teaching or elementary teaching)
- Certified to teach Russian and/or general elementary classroom teacher (e.g. PGCE, GDip, Teaching Cert. or BEd.)
- Native level Russian, written and oral communication skills
- Prior experience teaching Russian preferably to elementary school age students
- Fluency in English
- Experience in international schools preferred
- PYP experience preferred
- At least three years of classroom based experience