HIRING POLICY

Job openings at the Gateway Preparatory Academy will be in three different categories:
1. Administration
2. Licensed teachers
3. Support staff

Administration

- Openings are posted in as wide a range as is practical. And should be posted for two weeks.
- A hiring committee including Board members, staff, and parents should be assembled by invitation of the board.
- All applications are reviewed and qualified candidates are scheduled for interviews.
- Interviews are conducted by the hiring committee.
- A minimum of two candidates are invited for a follow-up interview with the board.
- Hiring by the board - Salary is negotiable

Licensed teachers

- Openings are posted in as wide a range as is practical and should be posted for two weeks.
- The administration should screen candidates with a preference given to charter-specific experience, Montessori experience and eligibility for a Utah teaching license is a requirement.
- Interviews are conducted by a team including Administration, teachers (lead teacher and one other from the team).
- A minimum of two candidates are invited to return for a follow-up interview with the administration and lead teacher and others invited. This second interview may include classroom observations with feedback, teaching a lesson, or other classroom activities.
- Hiring decision by the administration.
- Salary based on established schedule.

Support staff

- Openings posted internally and within the community for at least two weeks.
• The administration should screen candidates with a preference given to charter-specific experience, Montessori experience and a willingness to pursue training and licensure.
• Interviews conducted by the administration and supervising teacher with the lead teacher invited.
• Hiring decision is made by the administration.
• Salary is based on education and experience.

General:
• For support staff and licensed teachers, the administration may consider and make in-school transfers before opening the position.
• All hiring must be within the school’s approved budget, except in cases where a law or rule requires the new position (i.e. mandated special education services).
• All applicants must comply with the Background Check Policy prior to beginning employment.
• Gateway Preparatory Academy does not offer tenured or guaranteed employment. The school employee/employer relationship is an at-will relationship and can be terminated by either party at any time, with or without cause, and with or without notice, including after any evaluation period.

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