



**An Invitation to Apply for the Position of
Fourth and Fifth Grade Special Education Teacher
*Girls Prep Lower East Side Charter School***

New York, NY

Public Prep is a network of college-preparatory charter schools committed to scholarship, merit, citizenship and responsibility. We equip our students with critical-thinking skills and a strong character, preparing them to pursue their passions and achieve academic excellence with enthusiasm and integrity.

Public Prep currently comprises three schools — Girls Prep Lower East Side, which serves 235 students in grades K-4 and is the first public all-girls charter elementary school in New York; Girls Prep Middle School, which serves 25 students in grade 5 and will grow one grade level per year to eventually serve 300 students in grades 5-8; and Girls Prep Bronx, which serves 132 students in grades K-1, and will grow one grade level per year to eventually serve 400 students in grades K-5. We plan to open Boys Prep in 2011, starting with grades K-1.

Public Prep seeks an outstanding Special Education Teacher to begin immediately and work for the remainder of the 2009-2010 school year. The Special Education Teacher will work with students in fourth and fifth grades in individual and small groups to provide Special Education Teacher Support Services (SETSS) according to students' Individualized Educational Programs (IEPs).

All interested applicants should send their application materials to jobs@publicprep.org by **Friday, March 19th**.

This opportunity is unique because:

- Girls Prep Lower East Side is a proven success. In 2009, 100% of our third and fourth graders scored advanced or proficient on the NYS Math Exam, and 96% scored advanced or proficient on the ELA Exam.
- We believe in educating the whole child. Our model supports the social, emotional and physical development of our students in addition to their pursuit of academic excellence.
- We build strong leaders within our schools. Our teachers are given room for innovation and input. We offer a high level of support for faculty, including extensive professional development opportunities, and provide faculty with a pipeline for leadership growth as our network grows.

We seek to recruit, hire, and retain the best teachers understanding that they are integral to Girls Prep's success. Successful candidates will be exceptional educators with a demonstrated track record of success working with urban students, a strong belief in the benefits of single-sex

education, a firm grasp of elementary teaching and curriculum, and a relentless focus on academic excellence.

The Girls Prep Special Education Teacher will be expected to:

- Provide Special Education Teacher Support Services (SETSS) according to students' Individualized Educational Programs (IEPs)
- Provide direct and indirect instruction to Special Education and at-risk students in fourth and fifth grades, both in a resource room and inclusion setting
- Collaborate with teachers in long and short term planning that addresses the students' individual goals
- Create long and short term goals for students based on teacher observation and assessment data
- Consult and communicate with all invested parties throughout the IEP process to ensure compliance
- Collaborate with classroom teacher to guarantee completion of IEP progress reports
- Participate in weekly Child Study Team (CST) meetings to create and modify prevention and intervention services to at-risk students
- Provide feedback to parents
- Create materials for differentiated instruction

The ideal candidate will have:

- A Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- An M.A., Ed.M degree in Special Education or Learning Specialist (Math and Reading) must at least be in process
- New York State Special Education and Elementary Education certification, or be eligible upon completion of schooling
- Experience working with special-needs students (student teaching is applicable)
- Evidence of excellence in the classroom
- Wide-ranging intellectual and educational interests
- Superior communication skills
- An ability to work collaboratively
- A commitment to single-sex education
- A dedication to helping children grow and learn in an innovative educational setting

To Apply:

Along with a résumé, please include a cover letter stating why you find this opportunity of interest and how your experience is aligned with the Public Prep mission and model. Send your completed application to: jobs@publicprep.org. Please write "Fourth and Fifth Grade Special Education Teacher" in the subject line. Visit www.publicprep.org to learn more.