



Houston Gateway Academy Charter Schools, Inc.

Elite College Prep Academy

Committed to Excellence in Education

Eighth Grade Teacher (ELAR and Social Studies)

Houston Gateway Academy is seeking a highly skilled and student-focused 8th Grade English Language Arts/Reading (ELAR) and Social Studies Teacher to provide rigorous, TEKS-aligned instruction that prepares scholars for high school and beyond. This teacher will cultivate literacy, critical thinking, and historical understanding while fostering a classroom environment that supports academic achievement, social-emotional growth, and character development. The role includes preparing students for the Texas STAAR assessments in ELAR and Social Studies, ensuring scholars meet and exceed proficiency standards. The 8th Grade ELAR and Social Studies Teacher will plan and deliver lessons, assess and monitor student learning, and develop a classroom culture grounded in high expectations, inquiry, and active engagement.

Key Responsibilities:

- Plan and deliver engaging, TEKS-aligned instruction for 8th grade Reading, English Language Arts, and Social Studies.
- In ELAR, teach literacy skills including advanced comprehension, text analysis, critical evaluation, argumentative and expository writing, vocabulary development, and synthesis of multiple sources as outlined in 8th grade ELAR TEKS.
- In Social Studies, provide instruction on U.S. history, civics, geography, economics, and government aligned with 8th grade Social Studies TEKS.
- **Assess and monitor student learning through formative and summative assessments, providing timely feedback and support to promote academic growth.**
- Prepare students for success on the STAAR ELAR and Social Studies assessments, including review sessions, practice assessments, and test-taking strategies.
- Use assessment data to guide instruction, differentiate learning, and implement interventions for diverse student needs.
- Incorporate technology, primary and secondary sources, and interactive resources to enhance instruction and student engagement.
- Foster a positive classroom culture that emphasizes academic rigor, collaboration, respect, and leadership.
- Communicate regularly with parents and guardians regarding student progress, achievements, and areas for improvement.
- Collaborate with colleagues and campus leadership to refine curriculum, share best practices, and support school-wide academic initiatives.
- Support students' social-emotional development and character growth through mentorship and guidance.
- Maintain accurate records of grades, attendance, assignments, and required documentation.
- Participate in professional development, faculty meetings, and school events to support continuous improvement.
- Uphold Houston Gateway Academy's mission, values, and expectations by creating a safe, supportive, and academically rigorous learning environment.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university
- **Valid Texas Standard Teaching Certificate: Core 4 -8 or ELA 4-8**
- **Demonstrated knowledge of core subject area assigned.**



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- **Satisfactory outcome of a background check. Employees are responsible for a non-refundable fingerprinting fee (approximately \$50.00).**