



Special Education Teacher

Colorado High School Charter is seeking a Special Education Coordinator at our Osage Campus for the 2018-2019 school year. In partnership with a number of community organizations, Colorado High School provides students with a unique and innovative learning environment that allows them to focus on project-based core content classes (Math, Science, Social Studies, and English Language Arts), while engaging in community-based partnerships and concurrent enrollment opportunities.

Colorado High School Charter Overview

Colorado High School Charter (CHSC) is a 9-12 public charter school in Denver whose mission is to transform the alternative education experience by igniting the potential within each of the diverse young people we serve. CHSC is one of the leading alternative education campuses in Denver, with student achievement data consistently showing notable growth. As an educator at CHSC, you will have the opportunity to develop meaningful relationships with your students while receiving regular coaching and professional development to allow you to deliver exceptional instruction for students who have not found success elsewhere. www.coloradohighschoolcharter.com

What makes teaching at CHSC exciting?

- Constant learning through weekly coaching and professional development
- A focus on student personal and academic growth achieved through tailored curricula, a supportive school environment and community partnerships
- Social emotional support for students to remove barriers in and out of the classroom so ALL students can be successful
- A great staff culture that regularly celebrates student and staff achievement
- We are growing. CHSC has experienced increased enrollment; word is spreading about the amazing work we do.
- We have been designated as a Green school by DPS two years in a row.

What do we look for in candidates?

- You are passionate about education in an alternative education setting and are excited about Colorado High School's mission.
- You recognize the value of learning through real-world application and are eager to help all students consider a range of satisfying career paths.
- You are excited about the opportunity to engage students inside and outside of the classroom through experiential and project-based learning.
- You have experience or a strong desire to work with young people who have struggled personally or academically in conventional school settings.
- You are tenacious about your own professional growth and have the ability to seek and apply feedback to improve your practice.
- You're entrepreneurial, innovative and willing to do "whatever it takes."
- You value developing trusting and often transformative relationships with students.
- You are a team player who helps create a positive and vibrant school culture for both staff and students.

Job Description

The Special Education Coordinator supports students who need physical, emotional, or educational modifications/accommodations in academic and social development by providing structural and classroom support. Reports to the School Principal.

Special Education Coordinator Responsibilities:

- Implementation, development, and refinement of special education policies and procedures grounded in research-based best practice
- IEP development, administration, and implementation to drive student instruction
- Lead bi-weekly meetings of the Student Support Team to organize caseloads, problem-solve difficult situations, and maintain effective IEP processes for students and families.
- Support General Education teachers in the quality implementation of IEPs as well as professional development to continually refine and further individualized student supports
- Support Leadership Team and consult on decisions impacting students with disabilities
- Direct support and service hours with students with IEPs through small group, co-teaching, etc.
- Build self-advocacy and 21st century skills with students
- Maintain strong engagement and communication with families
- Serve as both a liaison and positive role model for students while ensuring compliance with special education requirements
- Teach one or more classes, supporting students in the classroom with teachers
- Assist Student Support Team with Restorative Justice process
- Maintaining high expectations of every student, challenging students to develop critical thinking skills and creating a safe space in which students can work and grow

Work hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday with occasional evening commitments for school events and conferences.

Qualifications

Colorado High School Charter seeks candidates with strong character, passion for supporting students of diverse backgrounds and needs, and a relentless commitment to improvement and learning.

Required:

- A valid Colorado teaching license with a special education endorsement, one of the following:
 - A7 Special Education Teacher in Residence
 - ATL Alternative Teacher License
 - ATLW Alternative Teacher License Wavier
 - INTL Initial Teacher license
 - PFTL Professional Teacher License
 - PFTM Professional Teacher License – Master
- License Endorsement, one of the following:
 - Special Education Generalist
 - Special Education Specialist
 - Teacher 1-Moderate Needs
 - Teacher-Educationally Handicapped (EH)
- Strong communication, organization, and planning skills
- Strong interpersonal skills with the ability to build rapport quickly, facilitating positive relationships with students and coworkers
- Problem solving skills
- Proficiency in the use of technology
- Permanent US work authorization

Compensation

Salaries are competitive and commensurate with experience and include a comprehensive benefits package. Teachers at Colorado High School Charter qualify for the Federal Teacher Student Loan Forgiveness Program.

To Apply

Submit cover letter and resume to: careers@chscharter.org

CHSC proudly values diversity and is an equal opportunity employer. Colorado High School Charter does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability, in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs and activities.

CHSC Mission:

Colorado High School Charter is transforming the alternative education experience by igniting the potential within each of the diverse young people we serve. CHSC ensures students' personal and academic growth by creating tailored curricula, a supportive school environment, and community partnerships. We empower our students to succeed in life and positively contribute to their families and communities by offering them the freedom and resources to pursue a post-secondary path aligned with their individualized goals.