

Opportunity Statement: Jewish Studies Teacher/Rabbi-in-Residence

Rochelle Zell Jewish High School

Rochelle Zell Jewish High School is seeking to hire an experienced Jewish educator to teach Jewish studies and serve as a *dugma ishit* (personal exemplar) of the mission and values of our school. This position may be part-time or full-time based on the staffing needs of the department and the needs of the applicant. *Candidates with rabbinic ordination may also be considered for a rabbi-in-residence role including teaching and other ritual and pastoral responsibilities.*

Now in its twenty-second year, Rochelle Zell Jewish High School is a private, co-educational Conservative Jewish high school of 156 students (grades 9-12) from over 20 communities in the greater Chicago area. RZJHS employs 62 full and part time faculty and staff. In the fall of 2007, the school moved to a permanent, state-of-the art campus, located on 7.3 acres in Deerfield, Illinois. The school prides itself on providing students with language and tools to navigate the complexity of what it means to live in the 21st century, and fosters a communal ethos of deep and lasting relationships among all four grades and between teachers and students.

In the words of our mission statement: “Rochelle Zell Jewish High School creates a culture of academic excellence that inspires and prepares our students to think critically, achieve their full potential, and live Judaism as responsible and involved citizens in the modern world.”

Summary of Job Responsibilities

Teachers of Jewish studies at Rochelle Zell are responsible for providing instruction and facilitating student learning in the subjects of Tanach, Talmud and Jewish Thought (typically two of these three subjects in a given year). They are also actively engaged in our *tefillah* program as well as Jewish holiday programming and Shabbatonim.

Qualifications

The ideal candidate is a friendly, dynamic and engaging Jewish professional, with a passion for working with teenagers, and skilled at teaching students at the high-school level. Jewish day-school experience is a plus. The ideal candidate also has broad experience working with parents and staff at the high-school level, as well as experience working in the context of a broader Jewish community and the Jewish world at large.

To apply, please send cover letter and resume to Tony Frank, Head of School, at tfrank@rzjhs.org.