Position Description Sustainability Specialist Teacher

Reports to: Principal

Employment: Part-time, FTE to be determined

Teaching Area: Sustainability Education

Year Levels: Pre-Primary to Year 6

Position Purpose

The Sustainability Specialist Teacher is responsible for planning, delivering, assessing and evaluating a sequential sustainability education program across Eton Farm Primary School.

The teacher will deliver one timetabled sustainability lesson per week to each allocated class, providing students with practical, engaging and developmentally appropriate learning experiences.

The program will reflect the school's commitment to environmental responsibility, sustainable living, outdoor learning and its unique farm-based educational environment.

Key Responsibilities

1. Specialist Teaching

- Deliver one scheduled sustainability lesson each week to every allocated class.
- Develop a whole-school sustainability teaching program that demonstrates progression in knowledge and skills from Pre-Primary to Year 6.
- Align teaching and learning with the Western Australian Curriculum, including Sustainability as a cross-curriculum priority.
- Incorporate relevant content from Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, Design and Technologies and other learning areas.
- Develop and maintain term and annual teaching programs.
- Differentiate learning experiences to accommodate students' individual learning needs.
- Assess, monitor and report on student learning in accordance with school requirements.

2. Practical Sustainability Education

Provide opportunities for students to investigate and participate in:

- Sustainable gardening and food production.
- Composting, worm farming and recycling.
- Waste reduction and responsible consumption.
- Water conservation and management.
- Soil health and biodiversity.
- Native plants and local ecosystems.
- Sustainable agriculture and responsible land management.
- Climate, weather and environmental change.
- Energy conservation and renewable resources.
- Caring for Country and Aboriginal perspectives on environmental stewardship.

3. Farm-Based Learning

- Utilise the school's farm environment to enrich teaching and learning.
- Develop practical investigations and projects that connect classroom learning with real-world environmental practices.
- Promote student understanding of the relationships between agriculture, biodiversity and sustainability.
- Ensure outdoor learning experiences are appropriately planned, risk assessed and supervised.

4. Whole-School Sustainability

- Support the school's participation in Waste Sorted Schools and other relevant environmental education initiatives.
- Encourage students to take responsibility for sustainable practices within the school.
- Coordinate curriculum-related sustainability projects and activities.
- Work collaboratively with classroom teachers to reinforce sustainability concepts across the curriculum.
- Contribute to whole-school environmental events and initiatives as appropriate.

5. Professional Responsibilities

- Maintain appropriate teaching, assessment and reporting documentation.
- Establish a safe, inclusive and positive learning environment.
- Comply with the school's policies, procedures and Staff Code of Conduct.
- Maintain appropriate duty of care and supervision.
- Participate in staff meetings and professional learning as required.
- Communicate effectively with colleagues, students and families.
- Undertake other reasonable duties consistent with the specialist teaching position, as directed by the Principal.

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Essential Selection Criteria

1. Recognised teaching qualification and current registration with the Teacher Registration Board of Western Australia.
2. Demonstrated ability to plan, deliver and assess engaging primary school learning programs.
3. Knowledge and understanding of sustainability education and the Western Australian Curriculum.
4. Ability to deliver practical, inquiry-based and outdoor learning experiences.
5. Effective classroom management, organisational and communication skills.
6. Commitment to child safety, student wellbeing and professional responsibilities.

Desirable Selection Criteria

- Experience teaching environmental education or sustainability.
- Knowledge of gardening, biodiversity, composting and sustainable agricultural practices.
- Experience delivering specialist programs across multiple primary year levels.
- Familiarity with Waste Sorted Schools and school environmental initiatives.

Position Accountability

The Sustainability Specialist Teacher is accountable to the Principal for the effective planning, delivery, assessment and evaluation of the school's specialist sustainability program.

The position is primarily a teaching role. Responsibility for general farm operations, grounds maintenance and property management does not form part of the position, except where activities are specifically incorporated into approved student learning experiences.