Temple Judea in Tarzana, California Assistant Director of Education for Experiential Learning (Full-time, non-exempt position)

Temple Judea is a vibrant, Jewish community that exists to enrich the lives of our congregants by creating meaningful, inspiring, innovative Jewish moments that resonate with individuals and families through the generations. Since 1952, Temple Judea has served as a spiritual beacon, a place for learning, and a community center.

Temple Judea's educational program has a reputation for excellence in "traditional" and informal educational models. The school has a history and culture of innovation and experimentation while keeping student and family connection at the core of its mission. Given the school's relative size and the student population's packed schedules, the school provides multiple points of entry to a Jewish education that is built around creating community internally and serving the larger community externally.

Prior to COVID, our school served almost 400 students, K-12, many of whom graduated from our vibrant ECC, which serves around 100 students each year. After this year of online learning, we anticipate returning to our beautiful campus and allowing for the organic relationship-building that is the hallmark of our school. In the name of innovation and meeting the needs of our diverse population, we look forward to launching a camp-based model of alternative religious school this summer to exist in parallel with our "traditional" school, and provide a rich, immersive learning experience for students in K-6.

We understand how important relationships are to sustaining Jewish identity. Not only do we boast a long history of students who found their place in the community here, and used their love of community to forge a pathway into professional Jewish life, but we pride ourselves on being a learning-laboratory for many clergy and education students who spend part of their journey with us.

Leadership Changes

Beginning in July, Rabbi Raff will be moving into the role of Executive Director at Temple Judea, and Rabbi Eric Rosenstein, who is currently the Assistant Rabbi, will assume the responsibilities of Director of Education. Rabbi Rosenstein holds a Master's Degree in Jewish Education from HUC in Los Angeles, and since beginning at Temple Judea, has been working closely with Rabbi Raff - most significantly in redesigning our high school program.

Position Description

Rabbi Rosenstein is looking for an Assistant Director of Education who will partner with him to evaluate the school's current design, and be a reflective practitioner in designing and implementing change. A strong candidate will:

• Question assumptions, hold a vision for dynamic, rich Jewish education, and think creatively and collaboratively about how to achieve that vision across our various programs.

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- Embody warmth and care for our students and families, and work with our team to ensure that our school is a place of belonging for all learners in their diversity.
- Possess a background in informal Jewish education that will inform their operational responsibility over our new day camp alternative religious school model, our post-B'nei Mitzvah programming, and our youth groups.
- Demonstrate a strong work ethic and an ability to hold the bigger picture while working in the details on multiple projects.
- Demonstrate flexibility in communication whether in written, verbal, or various media formats through a range of constituencies including: students, parents, clergy/staff, teachers, education interns/residents.

Position Responsibilities

This Educator will collaborate with the Director of Education on:

- Contributing to the educational vision and direction of the school.
- Reflecting upon and changing those policies that set the tone in our school, including those around belonging/inclusion and supporting students with diverse abilities.
- Consulting on an ongoing curriculum review across our K-12 program.
- Developing and running family programming, including our flagship "Rosh Hashanah at Camp", family learning days, and retreats.
- Crafting ongoing communication, while taking a lead on cultivating various social media accounts.

This Educator will take primary responsibility for

- Informal educational experiences, including our Camp Sababa alternative religious school model.
- Administrating and teaching in the Judea Teen Journeys (JTJ) program for our 7th-12th grade learners.
- Engaging our teens and youth through our junior/senior youth groups & teaching-assistant (*madrichim*) program.

This Educator will support the Director of Education with:

- Teacher training and support
- Student support
- School administration and logistics in concert with the school administrator
- Advising and mentoring education interns/residents

This Educator may also work with other Temple staff, educators, clergy, and lay leaders

- To create and facilitate Temple-wide celebrations
- To sustain our culture of welcoming and engagement in our community through family engagement and outreach programming

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Additional Information

- Bachelors' Degree and experience in the field of Jewish education is required. An MAJE, MARE, M.Ed.L., or MAJL are a plus.
- Excellent computer skills including: Microsoft Office Suite, Google Suite, Facebook, Instagram, etc. Experience with ShulCloud database is a plus.
- Applicants should be able to work flexible hours, including evenings, weekends, and holidays as needed.
- Expected salary is \$60,000 with benefits including health, pension contribution, vacation, parental leave, and professional expenses.

To submit resume/cover letter or for more information, please contact Rabbi Eric Rosenstein at RabbiRosenstein@templejudea.com