

First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church of Scituate, MA

Religious Education (RE) Teacher Job Description

First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church of Scituate is a vibrant congregation gathered around a covenant of searching for truth and living with justice and kindness rather than around a creed or statement of belief. We believe that each individual, working from the stories of ancient religious tradition, history, science, and experience, develops their own understanding of values and theology. So it is important to give our children a basis in those areas as they begin to develop their own faith.

The RE Teacher will meet with children in grades 4-6 on Sunday mornings September through May, and explore a Unitarian Universalist curriculum selected by the church.

RE Teacher Duties and Responsibilities

- To nurture and show concern for each child in your class
- To follow the curriculum assigned for your class, choosing activities and experiences within the lesson material or of your own creativity to correspond to the theme of the session
- To make sure in advance that all supplies needed are in stock in the church and, if not, to arrange for them to be purchased by the church.
- To meet monthly with the Minister and RE Committee
- To attend Safe Church training for the protection and safety of children as well as yourself
- To spend time prior to your teaching session in preparation (two- three hours).
- To arrive in the classroom early enough to set up your space and welcome any new families.
- Communicate with parents through the weekly RE Update.
- Ensure that the designated area of the Sunday school is clean and presentable after your class ends
- Maintain the attendance record for your class

RE Teacher Requirements / Skills / Qualifications

- High school diploma or equivalent qualifications.
- Experience as an educator is advantageous.
- Must be available to teach on Sunday mornings
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Good understanding of planning and developing lesson plans.
- In addition, familiarity with Google docs and Zoom is helpful.

Compensation

Annual salary of \$5000 for nine months of teaching, preparation, and meetings (approximately 6-8 hours total each week), with an additional planning meeting in August and a wrap-up meeting in June. Over the course of the nine months of teaching,

there will be 9-10 Sundays when teachers are not expected to be present, usually on holiday weekends and at the beginnings of the February and April school vacations. An additional one or two Sundays off if needed for personal commitments may be negotiated.

To Apply

Applications are now open. To apply, please send a letter of interest, resume, and names of two references to Becky Malamut, rechair1@firstparishscituate.org