



Position - Director of Israel Programs

Milken Community School (MCS)

The Director of Israel Programs at the Milken Community School provides oversight over the vision, content, delivery, outcomes and follow-up for Israel experiences and education for the MCS campus and community. The goal of this position is a full responsibility for the process that the students encounter Israel, in grades 8-12. The position anchors pedagogies deepening the students' lifelong connection to Israel, expanding their knowledge of the country, and building an advanced, nuanced consciousness about the State of Israel, the Land of Israel, and its people, in a manner that sows the seeds of students' involvement with Israel on the pathways to college and into adulthood.

The Director will act as the representative of the Fuchsberg Center for MCS and will be a fully committed staff member of the Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center, while seeking to achieve the maximal success of the programs for MSC. The Director of Israel Programs will manage a systemic approach to Israel, Jewish, experiential and spiritual education, select the team members, and develop the content and the administrative structure to deliver, measure, and improve this program's results. The Director will aspire to function as the central link between the content studied in school and the Israel experience. Through building connections with the school management and staff, the Director will develop a meaningful connection for the MCS and the Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center and will aim to use the Israel tour experience to serve as an ongoing bridge of meaning and connection between Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center and the school's students, families, and staff.

The position will include responsibility for:

- Building and maintaining a long lasting connection between MCS and Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center.
- Overall responsibility for a successful MCS Israel experience.
- Active communication and creating trust and reliability between MCS management, team and staff and Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center.
- Creating the quality program of content, opportunities, experiences and meaningful activities, using the Fuchsberg *Study-Pray-Explore* vision.
- Accountability and management of program budget and expenses.
- Overseeing the team: recruiting, managing and evaluating the work of freelance, temporary and permanent staff, Management of the structure, implementation and performance of the Israel tour operations.
- Responsibility for problem solving (*baltamim*) and wellbeing of the participants.

- Play active role as a member of the department/organization team: content and professional staff collaboration, brainstorming, logistical assistance for the implementation of seminars and activities, for all department programs.

The structure of this position will be determined by Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center in concert with the senior management team of the school. The Director will be required to travel to the US in a way that suits the needs of the work. The ideal candidate will be an Israeli director/educator with many years of experience in educational leadership and touring programs for North American youth, someone deeply familiar with the issue of the relationship between Israel and Diaspora Jewry, who is able to build innovative content based on in-depth knowledge of both the content and participants of the program, grounded in the culture and pedagogy of MCS.

The Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center sees this as a golden opportunity to create a highly efficient and deeply-aligned system of Israel education which can uniquely serve the needs and culture of MCSI at the same time as creating cutting-edge immersive content in the realm of Israel programs and Jewish identity for Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center as a whole.

The Director of Israel Programs for the Milken Community School will create a model for the Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center's partnership with schools and connecting students to Israel from a young age, through high school programs, to the continued connection of graduates and adults to Israel with Fuchsberg Jerusalem Center and MCS building a lasting gateway together.

Candidates Requirements:

- Jewish educator, with deep experience in the educational tourism industry (Licensed tour guide, preferred), able to facilitate and deliver sessions.
- Exceptional verbal and written communication skills in English and the ability to develop and maintain in-person as well as remote relationships with individuals, organizations and communities.
- At least 10 years of experience in management of educational programs for North Americans.
- Minimum of 5 years experience in management of a team (of 5+ employees).
- Extensive budget management experience.
- Knowledge, connections and management experience in the tourism field.
- Superb organizational skills and capability to work in an orderly manner.
- Ability to work under pressure, multi-task, make decisions and find solutions.
- Trustworthy and reliable, ability to represent and mediate.
- Team leader and at the same time team player, capable of working with other department directors.
- Possess the motivation to manifest the organization's vision and mission.
- Additional assignments as required by the head of the department.

A competitive salary and benefits package will be determined according to the candidate's qualifications. Please send your CV to tours@fuchsbergcenter.org