

## **About TikkunXDesign and JCDSRI**

The TikkunXDesign program at JCDSRI is supported by a prestigious Covenant Grant for Innovation in Jewish Education. We are one of the only elementary schools in the country that teaches design thinking to our students. Our focus is on mindsets that allow for productive and creative problem solving, while also taking on year-long projects that follow a Design Thinking process. We incorporate elements of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math into our curriculum to help prepare our students for being responsible citizens in the 21st century.

## **TikkunXDesign Fellow**

The TikkunXDesign Fellow will work under the Director of TikkunXDesign in order to build relationships with our student body and to utilize college-level Design Thinking within an elementary school setting.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Contribute to the Design Thinking curriculum, working alongside the Director to incorporate your own interests and skill sets
- Help to recruit and organize “STEAM Splash,” a school-wide event that occurs during the Fall and Spring Semesters
- Attend TikkunXDesign class (1 hour long) at least 2x/month, assisting with teaching and implementing curriculum
- Document progress of programs and initiatives throughout the year in the form of weekly/biweekly website/blog updates or social media posts, and culminating in a summarizing write up at the end of the year.
- Continue to develop the capacity of the position into a liaison between JCDSRI and the RISD/Brown communities

### **Requirements:**

- Timely responses to emails and phone calls during the semester (including midterms and finals)
- Ability to take initiative and work independently
- Some experience working with elementary aged students preferred, but not required
- Interest in Design Thinking and STEAM education
- Friendly, sense of humor, flexible, and interest in co-creating the position as the year continues
- Approximately 5 hours/week depending on school schedule

### **Compensation:**

- \$1200/year stipend paid in two installments

To Apply:

Send resume and cover letter to [trose@jcdsri.com](mailto:trose@jcdsri.com) by July 1st.

## **Garden Fellow**

At JCDSRI, our school garden is a rich habitat for design thinking and STEAM education. We are putting more effort into incorporating garden education into our STEAM curriculum (and vice versa) and hope to continue to think about this melding with our Garden Fellow.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Assist in organization of “STEAM Splash,” a school-wide event that occurs during the Fall and Spring Semesters
- Contribute to garden curriculum planning, including integrating garden activities into a school-wide scope and sequence
- Attend TikkunXDesign class (1 hour long) at least 2x/month, assisting with teaching and implementing curriculum
- Document progress of programs and initiatives throughout the year in the form of weekly/biweekly website/blog updates or social media posts, and culminating in a summarizing write up at the end of the year.
- Help with manual garden work as needed

### **Requirements:**

- Timely responses to emails and phone calls during the semester (including midterms and finals)
- Ability to take initiative and work independently
- Some experience working with elementary aged students preferred, but not required
- Interest in Design Thinking, STEAM education, and garden education
- Friendly, sense of humor, flexible, and interest in co-creating the position as the year continues
- Approximately 5 hours/week depending on school schedule

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