



We are the Phoenix—Rise with us

At CJA, we know our students will be the next generation of leaders in Chicago. We believe all students have the right to an excellent education and we are looking for dedicated educators who share that belief.

Our students come from under-resourced neighborhoods in Chicago and work incredibly hard to improve their academic skills and, therefore, their future. We are looking for teachers who see education as a vocation, teach with soul and see excellence as a habit.

Our teachers model the best of the Catholic faith and the Jesuit tradition—we are people for others, committed to doing justice, open to growth, intellectually competent, religious and loving. Our faculty is the engine that drives the school inside and outside of the classroom and we want this to be a place where you spend your career, not just a year.

We are looking for people who can thrive in white space, who see what needs to be done and do it, who own their work and their professional growth.

What you can expect from CJA:

- Strong professional support for teacher growth
- School leadership that believes great teachers are the most important ingredient for a great education
- A highly functioning school environment--from copiers to parent relationships, things *work* at CJA
- Unfailingly high expectations and unconditional love for our students.

What we require of you:

- High levels of professional achievement
- Relentless dedication to your students
- A profound commitment to excellence in teaching through professional development
- Ten-fifteen blocks of assigned content specific instruction per week, along with ancillary duties such as proctoring recess, arrival, dismissal, etc.
- Regular communication with families
- A bachelor's degree, masters preferred
- Strong candidates will have knowledge of the Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm and believe in an education that forms the whole person — *cura personalis* in the Jesuit tradition. These candidates will also be expected to have outstanding interpersonal skills, excellent organizational skills and relevant teaching experience.

Please apply on our website, www.chicagojesuitacademy.org

Mission: *Chicago Jesuit Academy (CJA) is a full-scholarship lower and middle school for young men from modest economic backgrounds who could not otherwise access a well-resourced, faith-based college prep education in the Catholic tradition. We support and advocate for CJA students and alumni as well as other children of modest means as they progress to and through college prep high schools, post-secondary education and the transition to meaningful careers and citizenship. CJA invites students to become persons for others who aspire to be open to growth, loving, intellectually competent, religious and committed to doing justice.*

Means: *Located in the Austin neighborhood on Chicago's West Side, CJA enrolls students without regard for their past levels of academic achievement. We use small class sizes, rigorous extended school days and an 11-month school year to develop each student as a whole person in accord with the Jesuit mission and tradition. CJA shares best practices with other schools, and we partner with the broader community to promote access to better educational resources and a deeper understanding of the obstacles to educational equity. The disciplined sacrifices of CJA's students, alumni, parents, faculty, staff, volunteers and benefactors make the success of our mission possible.*