



# Nicaragua Christian Academy

*"ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE WITH A CHRISTIAN FOUNDATION"*



## Upper Elementary Teacher

### Overview:

The upper elementary division includes one section each of fourth, fifth and sixth grades (three self-contained classrooms total). Each grade has approximately 22-26 students. The classroom teacher is responsible for teaching all core areas, including devotions, Bible, Language Arts (reading, spelling/vocabulary, composition, grammar and handwriting), Math, Science and Social Studies. Classroom teachers and educational assistants also share lunch/playground duties.

Upper elementary students also have the following specials (taught by other teachers): Spanish (50 minutes daily), Physical Education (twice per week), and Art, Music and Computers (once per week). During these classes, the classroom teacher has planning time.

In addition to the general education teachers, there is one shared educational assistant for 3rd-4th grade and one shared educational assistant for 5th-6th grades. The primary focus of the EA is to provide learning support with students needing additional assistance in the classroom. In addition to that, the EA assists the teacher with preparing classroom materials, translating parent communication, and a limited amount of grading homework assignments.

### Schedule:

A sample schedule is as follows:

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30-7:45	Morning Work	Morning Work	Morning Work	Morning Work	Morning Work
7:45-8:35	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish	Spanish
8:40-9:30	Devotions/Bible	Devotions/Bible	Chapel	Devotions/Bible	Devotions/Bible
9:30-10:15	English/Writing	English/Writing	English/Writing	English/Writing	English/Writing
10:20-10:40	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess
10:45-11:30	Math	Math	Math	Math	Math
11:30-12:15	Reading/Spelling	Reading/Spelling	Reading/Spelling	Reading/Library	Reading/Spelling
12:20-1:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00-1:40	Art	PE	Music	PE	Computers
1:50-2:30	Science/Socials	Science/Socials	Science/Socials	Science/Socials	Science/Socials

### Curriculum:

Bible – Walking with God and His People (Christian Schools International, 2010)

Reading – SF Reading Street (Pearson Education, 2007) and selected novels

Writing – Daily Six Trait Writing (Evan Moor, 2008)

English – Houghton Mifflin English (1990)

Math – Scott Foresman-Addison Wesley Mathematics (Pearson Education, 2004)

Science – Interactive Science (Pearson Education, 2012)

Social Studies – Harcourt Social Studies (2008)

**Qualifications:**

- 4-year degree in Elementary Education
- Certification and 2 years experience preferred
- Evangelical Christian testimony with active local church experience
- Sense of calling to teach in a third-world setting
- Willingness to make a three (or more) year commitment
- English is first language