Director of Christian Education (DCE)

CENTRALongmont, a 400+ member PCUSA congregation in Longmont, Colorado is searching for a Director of Christian Education.

CENTRALongmont has been worshiping and serving in Longmont 150 years. We are an urban church with a diverse congregation and longstanding commitment to mission and outreach. Longmont sits at the foot of the Rocky Mountains ten minutes north of Boulder and thirty minutes northwest of Denver. Recently ranked by USA Today as one of the 50 best cities in the USA in which to live, Longmont offers a terrific quality of life including 300+ days of sunshine a year.

Application materials should be sent to Ms. Brenda Holt Harris, Chair, DCE Search Committee, bholtharris@comcast.net

**Purpose:** To provide leadership in developing and maintaining a ministry of Christian education for all ages that reflects CENTRALongmont’s roots in the Reformed, Presbyterian tradition and desire to be a missional and incarnational presence within our community.

**Qualifications:**

1) Proven commitment to reaching all people with the love of Christ and modeling a life of discipleship.

2) Masters degree in Christian Education or equivalent preferred; will consider Bachelor’s degree combined with equivalent relevant experience.

3) Experience in envisioning and implementing an educational ministry for ages birth-adult, including issues of curriculum (scope and sequence), teacher recruitment and training, mentoring leaders, nursery care, etc.

4) Demonstrated ability to create programs/experiences that reach un-, under-, and mis-churched populations, many of whom represent the church’s mission field.

5) Experience in the uses of technology and social media in the church.

6) Sensitivity to diverse theological and ideological backgrounds.

7) Demonstrated ability to lead with minimal supervision while still functioning as part of a team.
Responsibilities:

1) In consultation with the Session, Pastor, Program Staff, and appropriate members of the congregation, develop and implement a ministry of Christian education for all ages.

2) Provide for the physical safety and emotional well-being of all children and youth, making sure that all ministry-related policies (sexual misconduct, background checks, etc.) are understood, documented, and enforced.

3) Establish an ongoing review process of all Christian education programs to ensure they further the mission of the church.

4) Provide leadership in choosing and/or designing curriculum, recruiting and training teachers, and ordering necessary supplies.

5) Maintain oversight of the Christian education budget.

6) Provide for a children’s message in worship each Sunday.

7) Maintain the Christian education portions of the CENTRALongmont website and utilize social media appropriate for communicating with parents, youth, children, teachers, and the community.

8) Supervise the nursery, Nursery Coordinator, and nursery staff.

9) Work with the Director of Music Ministries as necessary in coordinating joint programming (e.g. Music in the Mountains).

10) Attend weekly staff meeting and weekly meeting with Pastor.

Payroll Status: Salary

Benefits: Yes

Hours: 40 hrs./wk.

Vacation: As per vacation policy in Procedures Manual.

Evaluation: Conducted annually by Pastor and Personnel Committee. Personnel Committee, in consultation with the Pastor, will review annually the adequacy of compensation.