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JAPANESE LANGUAGE EDUCATION UPDATE 33: HOW TO FIND A JAPANESE LANGUAGE TEACHER

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Whether you're a university searching for a professor, an online school hoping to add Japanese to your course offerings, or a K-12 immersion school looking to hire, here's a guide to finding a Japanese language teacher for the upcoming fall semester.

JFLA JOB OPENINGS

JFLA maintains a popular, free webpage that lists Japanese-teaching job opportunities around the country. The page gets more than 200 pageviews per week, especially during the summer when schools are looking for teachers. If you're a school looking for a teacher, don't hesitate to email jflaeducation@jflalc.org with a job description to post on the page. The page is updated almost daily during this season.

AATJ JOBLINE

Another job board which reaches a wide audience is the Jobline maintained by the American Association of Teachers of Japanese (AATJ). These job descriptions are posted online as well as distributed within AATJ's semi-annual newsletter. There is a small fee to post, but it's worth it to reach out to the large group of dedicated professionals in that organization.

JAPANESE LANGUAGE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATIONS

There are dozens of Japanese teachers' associations throughout America, and you can find a list of them at the link above. Visit their websites or contact their presidents to spread the word about your job opportunity.

REACH OUT TO LOCAL GROUPS

Odds are that your state has a Japan America Society, a Japanese consulate, a Japanese garden, or a sister-city committee. Click on the link above to find them. Send an email to these groups to see whether they have any opportunities to reach out to the community. The more people know about your hiring needs, the more likely you are to find the right teacher!

JFLA provides consultations on issues regarding the Japanese language, so please give us a call at (323)761-7510x113 or email us at jflaeducation@jflalc.org with your questions.

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