Sample Questions to ask in a Teacher Interview

1. What is the teacher/student ratio in your district?
2. Do you encourage teachers to earn graduate degrees?
3. How many classes a day will I be expected to teach?
4. What types of school activities promote parent-teacher-student interaction?
5. Tell me about the students who attend this school.
6. What textbooks does the district use in this subject area?
7. Do teachers participate in curriculum review and change?
8. Does your district promote staff development activities and conferences? What types of programs have the teacher attended in the last year?
9. How does the teaching staff feel about new teachers?
10. What discipline procedures does the district use?
11. Do parents support the schools? Does the community?
12. Do your school use teacher aides or parent volunteer?
13. To what extent do staff member work collaboratively to solve problems and respond to the needs of students?
14. Does the administration encourage field trips for students?
15. How are teachers assigned to extracurricular activities? Is compensation provided?
16. Does the district have a statement of education philosophy or mission? (make sure this is not easily found from a web site or brochure)
17. What are prospects for future growth in this community and its schools?
18. What technology resources will be available to me in the classroom?