

Job Title: Music Teacher – Part Time

Reports To: Education Supervisor

For 2018-2019 School Year – Starts Aug. 27, 2018

The Wolf School, an innovative independent lower and middle school for children with multiple learning challenges, is currently recruiting a music teacher.

History of the Wolf School

The Wolf School, a small independent day school in East Providence, Rhode Island, was founded in 1999 to provide a unique educational environment for children with multiple learning differences. The goal was to create a school that would provide children with opportunity to reach their full academic and social potential. The founding members of the Board, including educators, clinical specialists and a family, created a model that emphasizes the development of core grade level skills taught through a therapeutically guided curriculum. As a result, our students make significant gains academically and socially. Today, the Wolf School educates 61 students in grades K-8 from Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Job Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree Required, Master's Degree preferred
- All Grades Music certification preferred
- Minimum of two years teaching experience at the elementary or middle school level and/or working with children who have complex learning styles
- Knowledge of multi-sensory teaching techniques
- Training and knowledge of a variety of music programs and methods for teaching

General statement of duties and responsibilities:

Responsible for teaching music education to complex learners K-8, and for collaborating with classroom teams to support overall curriculum. Responsible to implement unique curricula for each grade level taught. Focus may include, but is not limited to the history of music, vocal performance, explorations of varying styles of music, teaching basic skills in music understanding/appreciation, harmony, explorations in music and exposure to various musical instruments. Successful candidate will recognize and guide students' interests and abilities to help them discover and develop talents in the field of music; and to develop basic knowledge and skills in listening to and reading music.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Collaborate with art teacher to plan for and teach an Integrated Art and Music Program tied to core studies (ie; social studies, science, math, language arts).
- Work with occupational therapists, speech therapists and classroom teacher and support staff to develop and implement appropriate student plans.
- Plans/executes a balanced music program and organizes class time so that preparation, rehearsal and instruction can be accomplished within the allotted time.
- Lessons and materials are organized and objectives are clear.
- Provides individual and small group instruction as needed to adapt music curriculum to meet the needs of each student. Candidate must have experience differentiating instruction to meet the needs of all students.
- Encourages students to develop individual musical skills to the greatest extent possible.
- Prepare students and organize performances for annual All School Holiday Event.
- Teach a music-based elective, three sessions throughout the year.
- Teach afterschool music program, once per week, if needed.
- Evaluates each pupil's musical growth, performance, and musical understanding. Assesses each individual's contribution to the performance of the group. Provide input at team meetings and written reports to communicate with parents and staff on student progress as well as to address any challenges.
- Engage in ongoing professional development.
- Support positive reinforcement systems and behavior management techniques within the classroom.

- Communicate & coordinate with classroom teaching teams.
- Maintain documentation and data collection as needed.
- Report cards twice per year.
- Other duties as assigned.

Skills/Abilities:

- Ability to be flexible, patient and take initiative
- Creative thinker and planner
- Musical skill and knowledge
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to establish rapport with special needs students
- Ability to work on a team
- Strong time management skills and ability to manage multiple priorities

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