

LOWER SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER

Hawken School is committed to doing school differently and better. This means developing an inclusive and accepting community where adults feel empowered to design educational experiences for students that deepen their learning, engaging their emotions as well as their intellects. Hawken School seeks culturally competent teachers who are committed to equity and social justice, comfortable taking risks, and who embrace a growth mindset. Our faculty members are constantly looking for new ways to inspire student curiosity while remaining dedicated to nurturing compassion and kindness in our students.

Successful candidates for any role at Hawken School must demonstrate skill and commitment in all the following key areas:

Mission, Culture, and Philosophy Alignment

Candidates must show they can thrive at Hawken and are highly motivated by the school's mission.

Fair Play: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Justice

Candidates must indicate a commitment to and have experience with serving students and communities equitably.

Relationship Building and Cultivation Candidates must show they can build relationships throughout the Hawken community.

Content Knowledge

Candidates must demonstrate that they can lead and guide colleagues and/students to depth in their work.

Humility and Growth Mindset

Candidates must be eager to learn new approaches and methods and be able to team effectively with others.

Approach to Work

Candidates must show initiative and agency with a commitment toward feedback and flexible problem solving.

THE POSITION

Hawken School is seeking a dynamic and innovative individual committed to teaching the total child. Candidates should be eager to work in a dynamic and collaborative team-based environment with thoughtful individuals committed to doing school better. Since Hawken School has a long-standing tradition of a flourishing, performance-based performing arts program PS-12, flexibility, adaptability, and problem-solving skills will be critical factors in our search. Highly effective collaboration and communication skills are required.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

- Teach general music to students in Kindergarten through Grade 5
- Prepare and lead grade level public performances
- In collaboration with colleagues, oversee and direct an afterschool stage musical production
- Serve as a member of the Performing Arts team, responsible for developing, planning, and implementing grade level curricula and measuring and reporting student progress
- Perform other non-teaching duties as assigned by the Director or Head of School

Because Hawken believes in supporting teachers' passions, in deepening their expertise, and in fueling their spirit of innovation, we provide substantive professional development opportunities that lead to the kinds of excellence that are a hallmark of our community.

QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor's degree in Choral or General Music Education required. Master's degree preferred.

- Demonstrated competence in elementary curriculum development, instruction and pedagogy
- Experience with Responsive Classroom and project-based learning preferred
- Understanding of the developmental needs of elementary level learners
- Joyful enthusiasm, creativity, flexibility, good humor, and a team spirit necessary for working within a dynamic

department serving elementary school learners individually and in groups

- Focused work in vocal music, Music Learning Theory, and Dalcroze Eurhythmics preferred
- Facility with dynamic educational technologies
- A willingness and eagerness to assist in the life of the School
- Experience in dealing and collaborating with colleagues and parents.

INTERESTED

Please send a resume, references, and a cover letter to: Garet Libbey, Associate Head of School for Program, at lowerschoolemployment@hawken.edu

Hawken School is an equal opportunity employer dedicated to promoting all forms of diversity in the workplace and in our student body. We strongly urge all qualified individuals to apply.