

Position Title: Middle School Art Teacher

Position Status: Full-time **FLSA Classification:** Exempt

Reports To: Director of the Arts &

Division Head

Position Purpose:

Creates a dynamic and engaging classroom environment that inspires students to explore the possibilities of visual art. Develops a thoughtful curriculum that nurtures creative thinking and enhances individual students' artistic skills while aligning with curricular objectives. Fosters collaborative group projects that promote teamwork and cultivate a strong sense of community. The person in this role must be a passionate Arts advocate while supporting the Middle School, faculty, and students to ensure that we are living our mission and values on a daily basis. This position starts on August 22, 2025.

Essential Functions:

- Utilizes a studio-based approach to teach a diverse range of media, including drawing, painting, ceramics, design, printmaking, woodworking, fiber art, mixed media 3D, and digital art, to students in grades 5 through 8.
- Collaborates with colleagues and administrators on the development, evaluation, and enhancement of the arts program.
- Actively evaluates new tools and methods for classroom use.
- Monitors inventory and sources art supplies as needed.
- Oversees student ePortfolio as the main assessment tool in the Art studio.
- Regularly displays student work, collaborates with the Art Faculty on the yearly all-school Art Show, and seeks opportunities for community engagement.
- Creates an inclusive classroom community and personally demonstrates cultural competency, with a focus on integrating diverse voices into the curriculum.
- Encourages students to explore learning opportunities.
- Maintains expertise in subject matter through professional development.
- Partners regularly with parents/ guardians, teachers, advisors, and administrators in order to support students' academic, social-emotional, and behavioral growth.
- Attends weekly grade-level team meetings, faculty meetings, department and program meetings, open houses, Crawford Gallery openings, and other school events as required.
- Advises approximately ten students, providing academic and emotional support to students.
- Communicates regularly with parents and guardians of advisees.
- Teaches advisory curriculum related to identity, diversity, and inclusion.
- Establishes a safe and productive classroom environment, using effective classroom management techniques to ensure effective learning.
- Performs additional duties as assigned, including lunch/recess supervision and internal classroom coverage for colleagues.

Qualifications:

- At a minimum, a bachelor's degree in Visual Arts.
- Proven ability as an artist and demonstrated ability in a large variety of media.

- Knowledge of studio-based art classroom methods, applicable safety procedures in the Art studio, and the use and maintenance of kiln and art classroom tools.
- Comfort with a team-based work structure; works well collaboratively and demonstrates flexibility.
- Enthusiasm for and comfort using technology in and out of the classroom.
- Ability to foster creativity and serve as an advocate for the Arts.
- Demonstrated understanding of cultural competency skills and enthusiasm for issues of diversity, inclusivity, and multiculturalism.
- Outstanding planning and problem-solving skills.
- A clear interest in, knowledge of, and ability to work with Middle School students.
- Ability to work collaboratively with colleagues.
- Ability to work on multiple projects simultaneously.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.

Physical Requirements and Work Environment

- Work in an environment dealing with a wide variety of deadlines and a varied and diverse array of contacts.
- May work at a desk and computer for extended periods.
- Be able to lift up to 20 lbs occasionally.
- Work primarily in a traditional climate-controlled school environment.
- Able to move around a classroom and other school environments.

Application Procedures

Candidates must upload a cover letter, resume, teaching philosophy, sample artwork, and contact information for three references through our online platform. Please follow this link to apply.

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