



Now Hiring:

PERFORMING ARTS SPECIALIST

(Starting August 2026)

New City School seeks a joyful, creative, and thoughtful Performing Arts Specialist to join our collaborative specialist team.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Teach K-6 performing arts classes (50-minute blocks in a 6-day rotation)
- Design and deliver a curriculum including acting, improv, movement/dance, vocal performance, technical theater, production processes, and circus skills
- Foster an inclusive, engaging environment that supports creativity and self-expression
- Use assessment to inform instruction and support student growth

PRODUCTION RESPONSIBILITIES

- Collaborate with grade-level teams to support grade specific student productions
- Teach performance and technical skills during class and rehearsal processes
- Provide technical and artistic support (e.g., lighting, sound, sets, costumes, choreography, directing)
- Attend rehearsals and performances, which includes several evening commitments throughout the year
- Serve as technical lead for school performances

PROGRAM LEADERSHIP

- Manage and maintain theater space and equipment, including microphones, technical equipment, sound board, and other technology
- Support assemblies, events, and student performances


QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in Performing Arts or related field required; master's preferred
- Minimum of three years teaching experience with elementary-aged students
- Strong collaboration, communication, and organizational skills
- Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Passion for working with children and supporting the whole child

START DATE: August 2026, with possible professional development opportunities in the summer.

COMPENSATION: New City offers competitive compensation (commensurate with experience and benchmarked with peer independent schools) and excellent benefits including professional development funds, generous medical, dental, vision, life and disability insurance, bereavement leave, paid parental leave, retirement benefits, and tuition remission for children of faculty and staff members.





TO APPLY: Please send a letter of interest, resume, and the names and contact information of three references to: **Justin Tesser, Upper Elementary Division Head, at jtesser@newcityschool.org**. Please indicate “Performing Arts Specialist” in the subject line. References will not be contacted without the candidate’s permission. Candidates will be considered on a rolling basis.

NEW CITY SCHOOL is a leading independent school located in St. Louis’ historic Central West End neighborhood, enrolling approximately 345 students from age 3 through 6th Grade. Faculty collaborate closely across grade levels and disciplines to create meaningful learning. Classes are small and have approximately 12 - 15 students. To complement each grade level’s program, students receive instruction from specialists in music, visual arts, performing arts, science, Spanish, library, bodily-kinesthetic, and technology. Our teachers provide an education that is challenging yet developmentally appropriate and supportive, as they work to empower and encourage children to be active and engaged learners. Teachers see themselves as lifelong learners as well, and are responsible for creating unique and hands-on learning experiences for their students. To learn more about New City, please visit newcityschool.org.

OUR MISSION: New City School inspires children to engage joyfully in learning and achieve academic excellence while cultivating their personal strengths and passions, and empowers their students to build community and advocate for a more just and equitable world.

At New City School, we recognize a diverse faculty and staff is a strength that impacts and enhances all aspects of our school. We celebrate our inclusive school environment and are eager to accept applications from candidates of all backgrounds and perspectives. New City School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status in any of its activities, hiring practices or operations.