



**Presidio Hill
School**
Since 1918

Job Title:	6th Grade Humanities Teacher
Status:	Full-time, Exempt
Reports To:	Head of School
Start Date:	July 1, 2026
Salary Range	\$72,999 to \$130,000 DOE

School Description:

Presidio Hill School is an independent, progressive school located in the Presidio Heights neighborhood of San Francisco and serves a diverse population of 220 students enrolled in transitional kindergarten to 8th grade, with a faculty and staff of approximately 45 people. Established in 1918 by artist-educator-activists Helen Salz and Flora Arnstein, Presidio Hill School is the oldest continuously operating progressive school in California, with a mission and deep history connected to social justice.

Presidio Hill offers its students a challenging, project-based curriculum that attends to their intellectual and social-emotional needs and prepares them to be agents of positive social change. Guided by a skilled and caring faculty, students learn to be confident and curious, to be creative problem solvers and independent, critical thinkers. Learning at PHS is collaborative and active. We place great value on the arts as both an academic discipline and an essential element of a meaningful life. Situated on the edge of the Presidio, our school takes full and frequent advantage of the park's 1500 acres; whether they are studying science, art, social studies, or literature, the Presidio is a rich and vital "classroom" to our students.

Our vibrant, diverse, and supportive community allows students to explore their unique voices, traits, and talents; our emphasis on the importance of community and justice encourages students to develop self-awareness, personal character, resilience, and an understanding of their role as stewards of the planet and citizens of the world.

Presidio Hill School seeks a faculty and staff that reflects the broad range of diversity in the San Francisco Bay Area. Our school is strongly committed to promoting cultural competency in all interactions and programs. Invested in the growth, happiness, and preparation of our teachers, we provide generous support for their professional development.

Position Description:

Presidio Hill School seeks a full-time 6th Grade Humanities Teacher to begin July 1st, 2026. Qualified candidates will demonstrate a deep understanding of adolescent development and a genuine fondness for working with middle school students. They will also bring a commitment to progressive education and anti-bias teaching practices, along with hands-on experience teaching English Language Arts, Social Studies, and/or Humanities at the middle school level.

The 6th Grade Humanities Teacher will be expected to build an engaging Humanities program and to scaffold and differentiate lessons and experiences for students as needed, creating a program that meets the needs of a wide variety of learners. Given that PHS utilizes aspects of Responsive Classroom and Developmental Designs in order to support positive student behavior, candidates with experience in these areas are preferred.

In addition to providing excellent teaching and maintaining effective communication with parents and students, middle school teachers serve as advisors to a small group of students. Advisor responsibilities include a twenty-minute morning meeting with advisees, acting as a student advocate, communicating with colleagues and parents about student progress, and offering other forms of student support. Middle school teachers also lead student electives, affinity groups, or clubs.

Teachers are expected to contribute to the greater school community by serving on various committees and attending a variety of school events. PHS teachers collaborate closely and engage with one another in a positive manner. Strong interpersonal skills are essential.

Primary Responsibilities

- Establish a safe and inclusive classroom environment where students feel comfortable taking risks through self-discovery, collaboration, and community engagement
- Demonstrate a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Design and deliver developmentally appropriate humanities curriculum that is differentiated, hands-on, actively engages the entire class, and is guided by both student interest and grade level learning objectives and benchmarks
- Deliver curriculum that explores geography, culture, and history through a variety of literature, writing, and other creative projects. There is an emphasis on exploring a variety of perspectives and experiences to deepen understanding
- Collaborate with middle school grade level teachers and specialist teachers (Arts, Music, Physical Education, Library) to design integrated curriculum with cultural competency, skills proficiency, and positive peer collaboration at the center
- Observe, assess, and communicate student development through narrative reports and parent and guardian conferences
- Provide student support as a middle school advisor, including facilitating daily morning meetings, parent and guardian conferences, communication with middle school colleagues, and overnight field trips
- Seek professional development resources, training, and experiences in order to enhance professional knowledge and skills
- Set up the classroom, order and manage materials, and maintain a classroom budget
- Plan relevant field trips, events, and learning celebrations
- Supervise recess and lunch duties

Secondary Responsibilities

- Facilitate or co-facilitate a once-weekly elective class
- Facilitate, co-facilitate, or support the middle school affinity group program
- Facilitate or co-facilitate middle school life skills classes (with the support of the school counselor and teachers)
- Attend a limited number of evening or weekend school events

Skills, Qualifications, and Experiences

- Experience working in a multicultural environment
- Knowledge of progressive education
- Demonstrated commitment to the mission and core values of Presidio Hill School
- Deep knowledge of humanities content, including history, literature, and writing instruction
- 3-5 years of teaching experience, ideally including middle school or early secondary levels
- Curiosity regarding curriculum design and varied pedagogical approaches, including UbD and UDL
- Good humor, energy, a passion for teaching, and a love of learning
- Experience and interest in supervising students on short overnight trips

- Strong organizational, communication, and interpersonal skills
- Comfort using technology to support teaching and learning, including Google Workspace and iPads
- A Bachelor's degree. Teaching credential preferred, and an advanced degree in a humanities field or education is desirable
- Ability to provide proof of Fingerprint, SB 848, and TB clearance

Benefits:

- Competitive compensation with annual planned salary adjustments
- 5% employer contribution to your 403(b) retirement account
- 100% coverage of employee medical and dental premiums, plus 50% coverage for one dependent
- Optional pre-tax transit and parking benefit
- Lunch stipend
- Supportive leadership and a collegial community

Interested candidates should complete our [job application form](#) referencing the 6th Humanities Teacher position. Please upload a cover letter, resume, contact information for educational employers, and letters of reference by May 27th, 2026.

Email us at hiring@presidiohill.org with any questions. To learn more about PHS, please visit our [website](#).