American School of Brasilia
Learners Inspiring Learners

POSITION: US Music Teacher
WORKING HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday: 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.; Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.; Friday: 8:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m., with a one-hour lunch break. Additional evening or occasional weekend hours may be required for concerts, rehearsals, and performances.
REPORTS TO: US Principals
TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT: Full-time position

POSITION OVERVIEW:

The American School of Brasília (EAB) is seeking a passionate, dynamic, and experienced Band, Choir, and Music Teacher to join our Upper School faculty. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in music education, with expertise in both instrumental band and vocal music, and the ability to teach students with a wide range of musical experience, from beginners to advanced musicians. This role includes teaching a variety of music courses, such as band, choir, and music appreciation, as well as directing school ensembles and contributing to major performances and productions, including school musicals. The successful candidate will create an inclusive and engaging learning environment where students can develop their technical skills, creativity, confidence, and appreciation for music.

The Upper School Music Teacher will inspire students to grow as musicians and develop a lifelong appreciation for music through a diverse and engaging program. This is a full-time position that involves close collaboration with other educators to strengthen EAB's music program, expand performance opportunities, and foster a vibrant musical community across the school.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum Bachelor's degree in Music
- Minimum two (2) years teaching experience
- Teaching license in Music
- Possess knowledge of set curriculum grounded in relevant standards and benchmarks
- Demonstrate understanding of how to work collaboratively within a team structure, e.g. work within a professional learning communities (PLCs) structure
- Demonstrate use of an inquiry-based approach to instruction
- Demonstrate knowledge and experience in supporting students' wellness, especially in social and emotional growth
- Demonstrate knowledge of instructional technology practices that support rather than replace quality instruction
- Demonstrate ability to be a reflective practitioner capable of offering and receiving feedback

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Band Instruction:

- Teach and direct the Upper School bands and/or other instrumental ensembles, providing comprehensive musical education to students of varying skill levels in Middle and High School.
- Select appropriate repertoire, rehearse, and prepare students for concerts and public

performances.
- Provide individualized instruction to students for their musical growth on wind, brass, and percussion instruments.
- Maintain a positive and engaging environment for students to explore and develop their musical abilities.

Choral Instruction:
- Teach and direct the Upper School choirs in both Middle and High School
- Lead vocal rehearsals, focusing on proper vocal technique, music reading, and ensemble singing.
- Prepare students for performances, including school concerts and community events.
- Work with individual students to improve techniques for choir.

Music Theory and General Music:
- Teach courses in music theory, music history, and music appreciation, developing students' understanding of music's fundamentals and cultural significance.
- Develop lesson plans and instructional materials to support students' knowledge of music composition, harmony, and ear training.
- Integrate technology into music education, where applicable, to enhance students' learning experience.

Performance Opportunities:
- Organize and direct musical performances, including school concerts, recitals, and musical theater productions.
- Collaborate with other teachers and departments on interdisciplinary arts projects and school musicals.
- Encourage and guide students in solo and ensemble performance opportunities, fostering confidence and teamwork.
- Participate in evening and occasional weekend performances and events as part of the school's annual concert and musical calendar.

Student Development and Engagement:
- Mentor and support students in their musical growth, encouraging individual expression and creativity.
- Provide opportunities for students to participate in regional and national music festivals, competitions, and auditions.
- Create an inclusive, supportive, and collaborative environment that promotes respect, teamwork, and discipline within ensembles.

Collaboration and Communication:

- Work closely with colleagues in the EAB Arts Department during team meetings.
- Maintain clear and consistent communication with students, parents, and school administrators regarding student progress, performances, and upcoming events.
- Participate in faculty meetings, professional development opportunities, and school-wide initiatives.

Administrative Responsibilities:

- Maintain accurate records of student attendance, assessments, and progress in both individual and group settings.
- Manage the logistics of rehearsals, performances, and events, including scheduling, transportation, and coordination with other departments.
- Ensure proper care and maintenance of musical instruments, equipment, and performance spaces.

Builds Positive Interpersonal Relationships:

- Promotes positive interactions among students, parents, faculty and staff who have differing cultural, linguistic, and national backgrounds.
- Fosters a sense of identity and pride in EAB among students, parents, faculty, and colleagues.
- Maintains an open attitude toward new ideas.
- Collaborates with a wide range of divisional and school wide teams.

Ongoing Professional Growth:

- Continues to acquire new learning and reflects new learning and practice.
- Shares in opportunities for in-service and workshop offerings.
- Shares knowledge with other colleagues.
- Sets goals for professional development, takes advantage of professional development opportunities, and demonstrates current best practice in the field of education.

Responsibilities mentioned in this Job Description are not limited to the above, and the employee may be required to perform other related activities as assigned that will contribute to the success of their Area/Division.