

POSITION OVERVIEW

Job Title: Lower School Music Teacher

Campus: Norfolk and Virginia Beach Lower Schools

Status: Full-time

Reports to: Fine Arts Director

Job Description

Under the supervision of the Fine Arts Director and in collaboration with Lower School Directors, the Elementary School Music Teacher works with Pre-K3 through 5th grade students teaching general music classes at both of the Lower School Campuses and directs them in two school-wide performances throughout the year. Strong candidates for this position should have the ability to play and teach easily-accessible classroom instruments, and have basic accompanying skills on piano or guitar.

While strong organizational and collaborative skills are required for this position, we are most importantly seeking a teacher who loves the Lord and can lead students joyfully through music as contributing participants in their musical worship, education, and communities.

Qualifications

- · Bachelor's degree in music
- Classroom teaching experience
- Proven success and understanding of classroom management
- Excellent organizational and communication skills
- Proficient with using technology

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Familiarity with state and national music standards
- Familiarity with Kodály, Orff, Dalcroze, and/or the Gordon approaches to music education
- Ability to select a repertoire of music appropriate for elementary school singers
- Ability to teach a range of classroom instruments, such as ukulele, recorder, classroom Orff instruments and percussion
- Ability to incorporate movement and dance into the lessons in effective ways

- Ability to adapt teaching materials and methods to develop engaging learning experiences
- Experienced in conducting an ensemble and leading musical productions preferred
- Accompanying skills (piano, guitar) preferred
- Maintaining high academic expectations through purposeful building of thinking skills, standards-aligned independent practice, questioning and discussion techniques, and structured support for students
- Communicating effectively with colleagues and families
- Selecting and requesting materials for educational use
- Success and understanding of classroom management
- Performing other related duties as required/assigned