



City Academy Mission

Transforming children, families and our community through exceptional education and bold expectations that empower children to overcome barriers.

Summary of Position:

City Academy's unique approach to educating students includes utilizing the power of subject area specialist teachers. This position is for a full-time Art teacher. The Art teacher will be responsible for working with students, ages junior kindergarten through sixth grade. In addition, this educator would develop a vertically-aligned, culturally responsive curriculum that connects to material taught in other subjects throughout the school. In this role, the teacher will work collaboratively with families while also developing creative solutions to problems in order to meet the needs of the whole child.

Responsibilities

- **Classroom Instruction:**
 - Create and implement dynamic lessons that incorporate a variety of art techniques, materials, and cultural perspectives to engage students in the creative process.
 - Foster critical thinking and artistic appreciation through dynamic teaching approaches.
- **Instructional Support:**
 - Collaborate with classroom teachers and families to provide support, resources, and strategies to enhance art instruction.
 - Accommodate student learning differences with a variety of instructional strategies to maintain high standards.
- **Assessment and Data Analysis:**
 - Evaluate student artwork, provide constructive feedback, and assess student progress through a variety of assessment methods, including observation, portfolios, and projects.
- **Curriculum Development:**
 - Design and implement engaging and age-appropriate art curriculum aligned with content taught in other subject areas, ensuring students develop fundamental art skills and knowledge.
 - Provide students with various opportunities to demonstrate their skillsets, such as projects and presentations.
- **Professional Development:**

- Keep current on the latest trends, methodologies, and resources in visual art education by attending professional development seminars.
- **Fostering Community:**
 - Develop a community and environment where students feel safe, respected, and ready to meet new challenges and take appropriate risks.
 - Maintain regular contact with families and faculty members that clearly and effectively describes children's artistic skills and areas for support.
 - Consistently show understanding, respect, and sensitivity for cultural differences to live out the City Academy mission.

Qualifications:

- **Degree:**
 - Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Elementary Education, Middle School Education, Art, or related field.
- **Curricular Excellence:**
 - Demonstrate a creative and innovative approach to teaching the visual arts utilizing a variety of artistic methods.
 - Possess a strong understanding of art history with a proven ability to share that knowledge with students.
- **Diverse Experiences:**
 - At least three years of experience working with students of diverse backgrounds in elementary and/or middle schools.
 - Proven knowledge, skills, and experience in elementary/middle school education with a focus on visual arts instruction.
- **Passion:**
 - Exhibit a genuine passion for the visual arts and a commitment to instilling a love for the subject in students.
 - Exude a warm, caring, flexible, knowledgeable, and dynamic personality.
- **Collaborative Mentality:**
 - Ability to build positive working relationships with students, families, and colleagues to create a supportive learning community.
 - Possess excellent communication skills to convey complex art concepts in an accessible manner to students, teachers, and parents.

City Academy offers a competitive compensation and benefits package and a sustained commitment in the budget to ongoing professional development for our faculty. City Academy is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of age, gender, race, color, religion, national or ethnic origin or sexual identity in its hiring processes

To Apply:

Send a cover letter and a resume with references to lschnuck@cityacademystl.org. Please use the following subject line "Art Teacher" and address all communications to Liesl Schnuck, Director of Teaching & Learning.