

# Wesleyan School



## Lower School Music Teacher

*The Lower School Music teacher is a full-time teaching position that reports to the Lower School Principal. This teacher works with K-4 students in all areas of music and performance based on the needs of the teachers and students. The teacher builds musical knowledge and appreciation in students from kindergarten through fourth grades, and often gives them their first experiences in performing.*

### RESPONSIBILITIES

- ❖ Shares a love of music while instructing the basic aspects of music such as rhythm and pitch, scales, chords, and notations, the identities of the various instruments, and music history.
  - ◆ Demonstrates competency of instrument playing and vocal techniques.
  - ◆ Facilitates classroom instruction through preparing lesson plans with an appropriate time line, and executing the lessons contained within.
  - ◆ Continually reviews K-4 curriculum to incorporate new methods and techniques using technology and/or other pedagogy in music
  - ◆ Attends curriculum and methods workshops
  - ◆ Aligns and coordinates curriculum K-4
  - ◆ Functions as a liaison with MS/HS music department
  - ◆ Maintains organization of music library and inventory
  
- ❖ Assists and provides teachers with musical support for grade level or homeroom drama/musical productions
  - ◆ Coordinates musical practices with homeroom teachers
  - ◆ Works in conjunction with classroom teacher to enhance specific curriculum units
  - ◆ Serves as a member of the Grandparents' Day committee
  - ◆ Coordinates auditions and performances for Lower School Showcase
  
- ❖ Directs and produces Christmas and End of the Year Program
  - ◆ In conjunction with the Calendar Coordinator, schedules and coordinates events for the performance venues
  - ◆ In conjunction with the principal, coordinates program practices, time-lines and schedules

- ❖ Creates and directs small performance groups for 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grades
  - ◆ Updates parents weekly
  - ◆ Investigates and schedules off-campus performances
- ❖ Private Music Lesson Coordinator
  - ◆ Directs communication among:
    - Private lesson instructors
    - Parents and instructors
    - Instructors and homeroom teachers
  - ◆ Creates schedule for private lessons
  - ◆ Maintains payment coordination

### **Professional Qualifications**

- ❖ Has obtained at least a Bachelor's degree in Music Education
- ❖ Possesses state certification in K- 5 grade levels
- ❖ Has a minimum of three years' music experience in an elementary school setting
- ❖ Possesses a demonstrated experience in creating, directing and producing an all-school musical performance

### **Personal Qualifications**

- ❖ Possesses a grounding in the Christian faith, and a strong interest in providing students with a Christ-centered education
- ❖ Is detail oriented and self-starting
- ❖ Possesses excellent organizational and communication skills
- ❖ Has a strong work ethic and is professional in behavior
- ❖ Is patient, creative and adaptable to change
- ❖ Is a team player, able to lead and follow
- ❖ Works well with people from a wide-variety of backgrounds
- ❖ Has experience communicating with parents