

Classroom Instructor

Type, Hours, Compensation & Duration: Part-time, contract, \$4000. Oct 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024.

Job Description: The Classroom Instructor is responsible for teaching one section of a youth orchestra group course. Each course has a specific skill level and curriculum to follow in order to achieve the goals of the eight month course. Classes meet once a week for 90 minutes or twice a week for 45 minutes. The class schedule for each course varies based on the location and type of course. Classes are located in Greater Albany Public Schools partner school facilities before and after school and at the Albany Youth Orchestra Music Center throughout the day. Instructors may teach multiple classes under separate contracts for each class.

Instructor Duties

- Teach groups of children age 9 and up to play the violin, viola, cello, and string bass, using an assigned method book (Essential Elements) or string orchestra pieces as appropriate for the course description.
- Manage the classroom effectively at all times.
- Tune student instruments and provide basic assistance and maintenance when needed.
- Maintain records in the AYO music school portal, including a brief summary of each class session, and send class updates to families.
- Communicate with families regarding student progress and behavior.
- Communicate with partner schools as needed regarding students and facility needs.
- Be onsite 15 minutes prior to and after class to ensure that students are supervised and the classroom is set up and returned to its normal condition. You are expected to provide a full 45 minutes of instructional, child-focused time (or 90 with a brief break) during each class session.
- Prepare students for two all-program group concerts (Jan and May) and ensure they are proficient with other classes at the same level. Coordinate with other instructors on song selection and student preparation.
- Participate in recruitment and outreach activities.
- Facilitate performance opportunities for students in the class.
- Represent AYO and the partner schools professionally.
- Complete required training for child sexual abuse prevention and Oregon mandatory reporting, and promote and provide a safe environment for students.

Basic Qualifications

- Education and experience in music performance and teaching of the violin, viola, cello, or string bass. A
 summary of educational qualifications and experience will be required with application. Applicants with
 nontraditional education and experience are encouraged to apply, but all applicants must have
 proficiency in at least one of the instruments and with written music, and have experience teaching
 children.
- A valid driver's license.
- A commitment to diversity, equality, and inclusion (DEI) in the workplace and as a primary objective of our organization.
- Able to pass a Greater Albany Public Schools volunteer criminal background check and other background checks as required by community partners and AYO.

Preferred Qualifications

Bilingual Spanish preferred

To apply for this position, please send a cover letter, resume, and two professional references to careers@albanystrings.org.