



Tools For Tomorrow

To Reach, Teach, and Inspire Children Through the ARTS

Tools For Tomorrow is a free, after-school arts literacy program integrating the Visual Arts, Creative Writing, Music Appreciation, and Theater for children ages seven to eleven.

Tools For Tomorrow offers hands-on creative experiences that encourage children's social-emotional development through artistic self-expression. We nurture children's positive self-esteem by helping them discover their inherent creativity.

Tools For Tomorrow believes the arts have the power to transform a child's life. By encouraging innovative thinking, fostering creative self-discovery, and promoting collaborative learning, we give children "tools for tomorrow" that will help them grow, thrive, and succeed.

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Integrated Arts Teaching Artist Job Description

The Integrated Arts Teaching Artist will prepare and provide developmentally appropriate lessons in the creative arts including the visual arts, music appreciation, creative writing, and theater. The successful Teaching Artist encourages student creativity and self-expression while cultivating an environment that is supportive, respectful, and fun.

Most importantly, the Teaching Artist will be attentive and responsive to themes in students' work that connect with their personal lives.

Integrated Arts Teaching Artist Responsibilities:

- Provides a relaxed, supportive, and nurturing environment that allows movement and expression in an after-school setting.
- Prepares the classroom by bringing needed supplies as well as gathering and setting up equipment.
 - Ensures that the classroom is clean after each lesson.
- Plans lessons on the visual arts, music, creative writing, and theater.
- Develops students' fine art skills including drawing, coloring, and painting techniques.
 - Uses the mediums provided in the Art Kit such as watercolor pan paints, watercolor pencils, markers, crayons, and oil pastels.
 - Teaches art history, where appropriate.
- Encourages students to express themselves through creative writing, storytelling, and poetry.
- Fosters music and theater appreciation by teaching students about various styles of music and offering theater games.
- Communicates with Program Director regarding school, parent, and student issues/conflicts.
- Attends trainings and meetings as scheduled.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Integrated Arts Teaching Artist Skills:

- Has a demonstrated skill in at least one area of the arts.
- Has had experience with and enjoys teaching children in a classroom setting.
- Connects with students and parents in a positive and sensitive manner.
- Supportive, flexible disposition.
- Uses the Tools For Tomorrow guidelines and curriculum in the classroom and as the basis for instruction.
- Includes visual art, creative writing, theater, and music lessons at various times.
- Is creative and plans dynamic lessons.
- Is organized and punctual.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Exhibits a willingness to collaborate and learn.

Required Skills and Qualifications:

- Must have and provide a copy of a valid California driving license and vehicle insurance.
- Must be able to lift up to 15 pounds at times.
- Must be able to perform all operations necessary for teaching such as standing, walking, bending, and moving around the classroom.

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals to perform essential functions.

Desired Skills and Qualifications (but not required):

- Teacher credential or CBEST completion
- CPR and First Aid Certificate

Renumeration:

Salary.....	\$40 per hour
Each weekly class.....	\$100
This includes getting snacks and additional materials prior to the class session; classroom set-up and clean-up; and teaching	
Teacher Orientation and meetings.....	6 hours
Planning (payable after the first month of instruction for the session).....	2.5 hours
Completion and Return of Materials at the Session End.....	1 hour
(pre- and post-tests, attendance records, permission slips, samples of student work, classroom photographs)	
Student Performances / Shows.....	up to 4 hours
(must be approved in advance by the Program Director)	