



MORAVIAN ACADEMY

Moravian Academy is seeking an orchestra and string teacher to instruct students from kindergarten to grade 5 on viola and cello and direct the middle and upper school string orchestra. Music is a recognized core element of the Academy, stemming from our Moravian traditions, and we seek an expert in this field to join the Music Department.

Founded in 1742, Moravian Academy is a coeducational primer-grade 12 independent college preparatory school. The Academy, located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, has an enrollment of approximately 735 students. The school has three divisions: the Lower School (age 3 through grade 5), the Middle School (grades 6-8) and the Upper School (grades 9-12). Our Lower and Middle Schools are located in historic downtown Bethlehem while the Upper School is located on 120 acres in Bethlehem Township, approximately six miles from the downtown campus. Moravian Academy is a member of the National Association of Independent Schools, the Pennsylvania Association of Independent Schools, and the Council for Spiritual and Ethical Education.

Mission:

Moravian Academy is a church-related school whose Moravian tradition affirms that young people best realize their potential in an atmosphere of love and understanding. We seek to promote the child's full development in mind, body and spirit. Since 1742, our tradition has encouraged sound innovations to meet contemporary challenges while recognizing the permanence of basic human values.

Position Description:

Moravian Academy is seeking a dynamic and inspiring cello and viola teacher for students in grades k-12. The teacher will continue to develop a program that supports student-centered learning and the overall mission of the school.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Teach Suzuki cello to students in grades K-5 and traditional viola to students in grades 3-5
- Conduct a Suzuki ensemble for students in grade 1-3 and assist with orchestra for students in grades 4-5
- Instruct and conduct string orchestra for students in grades 6-8 and 9-12
- PMEA District judging and supervision duties
- Use SMART music program to analyze student progress and provide appropriate instruction.
- Assess and provide feedback to students and parents during comment and grading periods
- Prepare students to perform pieces in a spring concert, in a sacred vespers service, and at various other performances during school events
- Provide a classroom management/discipline plan ensuring safety at all times
- Work cooperatively with administrators, faculty, staff, parents and community
- Attend faculty, divisional and committee meetings (full)

- Consult with the music department members and support others' programs
- Participate in other job-related duties and activities related to the position as assigned

Requirements:

- Bachelor of Music degree (Masters preferred)
- Suzuki training highly recommended
- Teaching experience using Suzuki pedagogy with cello students in k-5 and traditional methodology for viola students.
- Proficiency in digital educational technologies

Skills and Abilities:

- Expertise using Finale Music Notation Software, 2011
- Utilization and implementation of dynamic, creative teaching techniques and methodologies
- Knowledge, skill and ability to provide instruction at all levels
- Expert cello skills, beginner viola skills and basic piano skills
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Ability to choose and edit appropriate music for all levels of cello, viola, and middle and upper school orchestras
- Expertise in creating exercises to build skills needed for performance pieces
- Life-long learner who is committed to continuing professional development

Compensation and Benefits:

Moravian Academy salaries are based on years of experience and expertise. The Academy's retirement plan is available to all full-time employees who have attained the age of 21. Full time employees may be eligible for participation in the Academy's retirement plan upon hire and the completion of required retirement plan documents. The Academy pays 8% of salary or wages when eligible employees contribute 5% of their salary or wages through payroll reduction. Full-time employees are eligible to enroll in the Group Medical and Prescription Healthcare Program offered by the school. The Academy pays up to 70% of the premium. The Academy financially supports the continuing professional development of its faculty and administrators. Need-based aid for tuition at Moravian Academy is available for the children of employees who qualify.

Duration:

This is a teaching position beginning August 21, 2017.

To Apply:

Submit digital materials, including a letter of intent, resume and statement of educational philosophy, to employment@moravianacademy.org. Address letter of intent to: Ann Mindler, Assistant Head of School, Moravian Academy, 11 West Market Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Moravian Academy is an equal opportunity employer and we strive to provide an environment that welcomes a diverse community.

