

The Benjamin School UPPER SCHOOL VISUAL ARTS TEACHER

Palm Beach Gardens, FL



START DATE: August 1, 2024

The Benjamin School is a premier PK3 - Grade 12 independent, coeducational day school with campuses in North Palm Beach and Palm Beach Gardens.

POSITION SUMMARY:

The Benjamin School seeks an energetic, articulate, full-time Visual Arts instructor specializing in traditional 2D media, including drawing, painting, and graphic design. The ideal candidate combines a passion for teaching with a record of accomplishment in the visual arts, an ability to teach various classes, and a history of fostering a passion for creativity and visual art. We seek a collaborative colleague who will actively participate in department life, maintain on-campus visual art displays, and encourage students to participate in external shows and competitions. The successful candidate will be an innovative and inclusive teacher with a robust creative practice and a proven commitment to teaching and students.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Demonstrate mastery of related subject matter, instructional skills, and resource materials for visual arts.
- Align with the department's commitment to the production of original artwork and drawing from observation.
- Ability to work with students from diverse arts backgrounds, from beginner to advanced levels.
- Teach five classes in a rotating, hybrid block schedule in the Visual Arts program.
- Actively collaborate with department members to use studio spaces.

- Create lesson plans aligned with current trends and best practices, which drive instruction through formative assessment.
- Maintain a safe, organized, positive studio, which supports student-centered independent learning, collaboration, and choice, while incorporating mutual respect.
- Maintain school exhibition spaces and encourage student participation in external shows and competitions.
- Use available technology/instructional media to enhance student learning experiences.
- The position includes other duties as assigned by the Head of the Upper School.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

- Bachelor's degree in a visual arts-related field required; Master's degree in a related educational field preferred.
- Minimum three years of experience in a rigorous, college preparatory program at the Upper School level.
- A portfolio of individual and student artwork that demonstrates innovative and creative thinking.
- Mastery of Adobe software, including Photoshop and Illustrator.
- Commitment to inspiring original, authentic student-produced artwork.
- Skill in communicating concrete and abstract concepts to students.
- Ability to teach drawing from observation.



- A positive teaching style, optimism, and a belief that all students can learn.
- The ability to use and adapt to a wide array of tools and techniques to support and deepen student learning.
- Experience with coaching and/or club sponsorship.
- Strong communication and collaborative skills, a sense of humor, and a sense of humility.



The Benjamin School offers a competitive salary and an outstanding benefits package, which includes Medical, Dental, Vision, Life insurance, School-paid LTD, AFLAC, 403B Retirement, Paid Time Off, Flexible Spending, Student Tuition discounts, and educational assistance.

The Benjamin School has partnered with DovetailED on this search. Interested candidates should email a cover letter (addressed to Director of Human Resources Patti Maiselson), a resume, and a list of at least three professional references consolidated as a single PDF document to Alison Moore, Senior Recruiter at <u>alison@dovetailedsourcing.com</u>.