

The mission of the Idyllwild Arts Foundation is changing lives through the transformative power of art.

The Idyllwild Arts Academy provides pre-professional training in the arts and a comprehensive college preparatory curriculum to a diverse student body of gifted young artists from all over the world.

The Idyllwild Arts Summer Program provides arts instruction and experiences of the highest caliber to a diverse student population of all ages and abilities.

Idyllwild is a small town located at over 5,000 feet on the western slopes of California's San Jacinto Mountains. Even though it seems far from the hustle and bustle of city life, the town and campus frequently hosts music festivals, prominent speakers and artists, and community events. Also, it is only two hours by car to Los Angeles and San Diego.

OPPORTUNITY: ESL Teacher
LOCATION: Idyllwild, CA
REPORTS TO: Chair of AEP Department (Accelerated English Program) and Assistance Head of School
STATUS: Full Time – Exempt
SUPERVISES: None

POSITION OVERVIEW

Idyllwild Arts Academy welcomes experienced ESL instructors to apply to teach skills based and sheltered academic classes for the purpose of preparing students for higher level institutions in the United States.

This is a unique opportunity to join a boarding school community that focuses on arts education. We are seeking an educator who will embrace and support the arts, and appreciate the unique environment of Idyllwild, the Academy, and its diverse and talented students.

Idyllwild Arts Academy offers students a comprehensive Accelerated English Program (AEP) program ranging from beginning to advanced ESL classes that emphasize grammar, vocabulary, and skill development. Also, an essential component to the program is exposing students to literature and history while building strong problem solving and critical thinking skills.

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates must have the following qualifications

Instruction

- At least three years of experience in ESL instruction at high school level
- At least a Bachelors Degree in a relevant field, and formal training in ESL instruction
- Experience with both skills-based and humanities courses, using a wide range of course material and books
- Ability to diversify activities: dialogue, role playing, group activities formal exercises, questions that promote critical thinking
- Implements a holistic approach to teaching—integrates reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills into the curriculum

Social and professional

- Respects the guidelines and the Scope and Sequence of the AEP department
- Works effectively with teams, while at the same time can work independently and generate innovative curriculum
- Understands an arts boarding community: participates or leads, and enthusiastically supports social and cultural events
- Willing to live on campus and act as a boarding parent
- Sensitive to cultural, gender, and economic diversity

Personal qualities

- Acts as a model of integrity
- Understands and maintains professional boundaries between students and teachers
- Respects confidentiality
- Has a sense of humor and keeps things in perspective
- Exercises patience and good listening skills
- Flexible and has the ability to work under pressure
- Keeps a positive attitude

Preferred qualifications

- Master's Degree or diploma+ in a relevant field
- Experience living in a boarding community or experience with leading, instructing, and working with youths
- Life experiences in travel, living and/or teaching abroad

Other Requirements

Ability and desire to work within Idyllwild community, Riverside County, or commute a reasonable distance that does not impede on-time arrival during winter months. Obtain and maintain a valid California Driver License, pass a criminal history background check as required by California Education Code Section 44237, and pass a TB test.

Physical Demands/Work Environment

- While performing the duties of this position an incumbent is required to regularly remain sedentary for long periods of time in meetings, and processing information and paper work both manually and on a computer.
- Specific vision abilities include close, distance and color vision perception, and the ability to adjust eye focus. Reaching with the hands and arms, and use of hands to finger, type, and manipulate a computer keyboard and mouse is required.
- Additionally, the incumbent must be able to converse in clear English both written and orally, over a telephone and in person, and be able to make public presentations. Occasionally, incumbent may be required to lift 15 - 25 pounds, traverse uneven terrain and climb stairs while moving about campus; bend and stoop, conduct tours and show visitors campus facilities; and provide their own transportation for local and remote events. Work hours vary and include days, nights, and weekends.
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Interested candidates should send a CV/Resume (PDF or Word doc format, only) and a letter of interest addressing their skills, abilities and experiences relevant to this opening.

Deadline for submittal May 31, 2019

Email to: employment@idyllwildarts.org

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