Crowden Music changes everything

Position: Community Ukulele and Guitar Teacher Start Date: Fall 2025 Status: Part Time

THE OPPORTUNITY:

Crowden Music Center is seeking a dynamic and skilled Group Ukulele class and Private Guitar teacher with an understanding of and passion for teaching music students. The Community Ukulele and Guitar Faculty will join the Community Faculty team and be responsible for designing and directing group classes for ukulele and private guitar lesson programs appropriate to the needs of musically-minded and inquisitive students.

The successful candidate will demonstrate expertise and enthusiasm for the subject matter, strong classroom management skills, and a willingness to work as part of a team. Curriculum is expected to be developmentally-appropriate, grounded in broad music tradition including classical music, and with an awareness of the cultural diversity reflected in the student body and the larger community.

The group class coursework will consist of two class offerings, approximately 8 students, aged 6-8 years. Classes meet for one period per week. Currently, lessons or classes are scheduled from 3:45-4:30 pm and 4:30-5:15 pm Thursdays. Private guitar lessons would follow the group classes, according to enrollment and faculty preference. The schedule may be adjusted if necessary for the right candidate and additional classes may be added depending on demand and teacher availability.

In addition to weekly classes, the Ukulele group class and Guitar private teacher faculty is expected to attend periodic faculty, planning meetings, and concerts.

OUR PROGRAM:

Crowden Music Center is a non-profit organization that combines music and education to nurture, develop, and inspire students of all ages. Altogether, Crowden serves an annual audience of 12,000 with a rich array of music classes, workshops, events, and concerts.

The Crowden School is the flagship program of the Crowden Music Center. The Crowden School, founded in 1983 by Scottish violinist Anne Crowden, is a coeducational day school for grades Kinder through eight, provides a distinguished education with chamber music at the core.

ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Design and direct appropriate program under the guidance of the Associate Artistic Director.
- Create an inclusive and welcoming classroom environment where each student is celebrated.
- Be attuned to the specific learning needs and social and emotional development of each student.
- Employ age-appropriate lesson/classroom management techniques.
- Communicate effectively with students and parents.
- Participate actively in department, grade-level, and faculty meetings as scheduled.
- Maintain professional standards of conduct, respect, and collegiality.
- Other duties as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Excellent musicianship and artistry as a music educator
- Professional-level proficiency on their instrument with bachelor's degree in music performance, music education, or equivalent experience.
- Experience working with all ages, and a passion for interacting with students in and outside of the classroom.
- Strong knowledge of developmentally-appropriate pedagogy and repertoire.
- A commitment to collaborating with colleagues to build and sustain the school community.
- Excellent communication skills and commitment to keeping parents informed and engaged.
- A sense of humor and a "can-do" attitude.
- Employment dependent on satisfactory completion of background check and TB test.

BENEFITS:

- Retirement plan with employer contribution
- Professional development opportunities
- Supportive and collaborative work environment
- Opportunity to shape an innovative educational program in a music-rich environment

Salary Information - \$63 per hour for individual guitar lessons and \$86 per hour for group ukulele classes.

TO APPLY:

Send cover letter and resume by XXX date to Beth Vandervennet <u>bvandervennet@crowden.org</u>