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JOB POSTING

MUSIC THERAPIST

The Opportunity. The Winchester Community Music School is looking for a caring, talented, creative, and motivated music therapist to join our faculty beginning in September 2023. We are seeking a positive, energetic, and experienced individual who has a passion for working with both children and adults to express themselves through music in individualized, client-centered sessions. The position also serves as a resource for faculty colleagues to lend advice about working with students with special learning profiles. Neurological music therapy training is a plus.

This position is ideally for a Friday afternoon (approx. 3 -7 PM) or on a Saturday starting in the fall semester (the semester begins the week of September 11, 2023). The exact hours will be determined based on interest and enrollment. WCMS operates in two 16-week semesters during the academic year and offers an optional summer semester from late June through July. Part-time, exempt – paid hourly.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

(The following are representative examples of the principal tasks to be accomplished but are not considered to be all-inclusive.)

- Provide a professional, warm, and enthusiastic environment to all students.
- Maintain knowledge of appropriate therapy methods for various ability levels and learning styles.
- Communicate with client and family members about goals through semester progress reports and as needed.
- Commit to a consistent schedule and maintain regularity with lessons with limited interruptions or absences.
- Encourage and offer student performance opportunities within the studio and at WCMS.
- Maintain knowledge about musical opportunities and offerings at WCMS and externally to enhance the student experience.
- Demonstrate a commitment to collaborating with faculty colleagues through performances and musical events.
- Communicate with faculty colleagues and administrative staff in a positive and professional manner.

- Submit attendance, progress reports, and other administrative requests on time according to pre-determined deadlines.

Qualifications. The successful candidate must have a music degree or significant and equivalent professional experience; a Bachelor's degree or higher with music therapy board certification is required. Candidate must have a minimum of three years of applied music therapy experience. Training in assessment, treatment planning, and evaluation is required. The candidate must have demonstrated therapy orientation for various levels of ability and special needs, possess an empathetic personality and be a people person, and be an effective communicator with students, parents, faculty, and staff. Interest in building the WCMS music therapy program is a plus. Must have reliable transportation (WCMS is not easily accessible by public transportation), and a professional appearance.

Compensation and Benefits.

Salary. \$55/hour for private client sessions; \$65/hour for group sessions

Benefits. Paid sick time, paid studio recitals, paid performance opportunities, paid faculty meetings, access to 403b tax-deferred annuity retirement savings plan through TIAA, 25% tuition discount on WCMS activities for employee and immediate family members, free employee assistance plan, subsidized health insurance for faculty with 20+ hours of weekly teaching, faculty professional development grants, access to voluntary benefits of vision, life, and accident insurance, many non-cash benefits.

How to apply. Please email the cover letter and résumé to the attention of Laurie Russell, Executive Director at info@winchestermusic.org. Qualified candidates will be contacted regarding an interview. No phone calls, please. WCMS is an equal opportunity employer and values diversity and inclusion. All employment is decided on the basis of qualifications, merit, and business need. We encourage candidates of all backgrounds to apply for this position