



**Stamford American**  
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

**Cognita Schools are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and other third parties to share this commitment. Safer recruitment practice and pre-employment background checks will be undertaken before any appointment is confirmed.**

Position Title	Teacher (Music), Middle School	Reference: Dec24MSMus
Function/Department	Middle School	Location: Woodleigh campus
Manager Name & Title	Principal, Middle School	
Position Type	Fixed Term	
Position Status	Full Time	

### **Position Objective**

The role of the Music Teacher is essentially to build and maintain a successful general music program within the school. This includes teaching practical instrumental skills, music theory and aural development to students age 11 through 14, and importantly developing learning through the process of inquiry and in conjunction with the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program. Performance of music skills by students is a key outcome, including musicianship and composition.

### **Responsibilities**

**The job holder's responsibility for promoting and safeguarding the welfare of children and young person's for whom they are responsible, or with whom they come into contact will be to adhered to and ensure compliance with the relevant Cognita Safeguarding; Child Protection Policy and Procedures at all times. If in the course of carrying out the duties of the role, the job holder identifies any instance that a child is suffering or likely to suffer significant harm either at school or at home, they must report any concerns to the School's Designated Safeguarding Lead or to the Head or indeed to the Cognita Regional Safeguarding Manager so that a referral can be made accordingly to the relevant third party services.**

#### **Music:**

- Planning, preparing and delivering lessons to a range of classes and age groups
- Classroom management
- Introduce cultural aspects music to students, in relation to the nationalities represented at the school.
- Provide evaluation and documentation of student progress
- Adhere to the SAIS teacher guidelines
- Working collaboratively with a team of musicians to plan and build the curriculum
- Working closely with grade teachers to establish optimal support for students and assess their development and needs
- To use and refer to the Washington Arts Standards in the curriculum and in teaching and learning

#### **Performance:**

- Commit to the Music Ensemble Program, by leading and supporting various music ensembles after school hours.
- Coordinate concerts and large scale concerts where appropriate to demonstrate student talents.
- Support the various school musicals.
- Record performances for the purpose of promoting music as a creative and talent rich program.

#### **General:**

- To teach any classes as deemed necessary.
- To provide any other reasonable duties delegated by the Head of Music and the Principal

### **Position Requirements**

- At least 3 years of experience in working with children as a Music teacher with relevant qualifications.
- MYP/DP Music teaching experienced preferred.
- Curriculum development knowledge is required.



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- Possess highly developed interpersonal and teamwork skill
- Excellent skills with specific musical instruments including piano
- Excellent verbal and written English skills
- Good references on request
- Proficient in using computers
- At least two years' international teaching experience
- Demonstrates the Stamford Values – Courage, Ingenuity, Compassion, Integrity

### **Qualifications**

- Minimum Bachelor's degree in Education or equivalent is required
- Master's degree in Education or relevant field preferred
- Professional current teacher licensure or certification is required

### **Contacts**

- MS Principal & Deputy Principals & Music team
- Other Stamford Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff
- Parents and Students and PTA

### **Working Conditions**

- School Environment
- Working hours 8am to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday, plus occasional staff meetings and trainings
- Full time faculty member responsibilities such as supervision duties, CCAs and privileges apply.
- School holidays are paid and free except staff days and training days (please refer to the website to see the school calendar with school holiday dates)

### **Terms of Employment**

- Medical Benefits: Medical insurance provided where applicable
- Sick Leave/Hosp: 60 days hospitalization leave including 14 days sick leave
- Probation Period: 3 months from date of commencement
- Referee request: Required
- Background Check: Required

**SAIS is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Pre-employment background checks are mandatory and appointments are strictly subject to confirmation that all reference and background checks are completed to the satisfaction of Cognita, SAIS' holding organization.**

**We are an equal opportunity employer and disallow discrimination of age, ethnic origin, nationality, gender, religion, sexual orientation, family status, pregnancy, marital status, medical or mental health history, physical characteristics or disability.**

**We welcome applications from all qualified candidates. We regret that only shortlisted candidates will be notified.**