



Social change through music

Woodwind Teaching Artist for BRAVO Cesar Chavez After-school Youth Orchestra and Chorus

Hours: 15 hrs/week, approximately 33 wks annually; 2:45-5:15pm M-F, including weekly staff meetings (an additional 1hr once a week) and instructional preparation time, occasional evenings or weekends (for performances)

Pay rate: \$35/hr teaching rate, \$17.50/hr for additional non-teaching hours (meetings, optional events)

Personal time: 7 hours per year

Sick leave: 1 hour accrued per 30 hours worked in accordance with Portland Protected Sick Time Ordinance

Start date: September 6, 2017 for training, September 11 for first day of program

Organization Summary: BRAVO Youth Orchestras is a non-profit organization created to transform the lives of underserved children and youth through intensive, ensemble-based music instruction. BRAVO is inspired by El Sistema, Venezuela's national program of social action through music, and is a member of the National Alliance of El Sistema Inspired Programs. BRAVO launched in September 2013 with a strings and chorus program at Rosa Parks Elementary School and has served over 60 students in grades 2-5. In 2015-16, BRAVO extended the program to grades 4-5 at the César Chávez School. In 2017-2018 school year, this tuition-free, after-school winds and chorus program will serve about 65 wind students in grades 3-7 on flute, clarinet, trumpet and trombone. The programs are located in Portland's most culturally diverse and high priority schools (18 languages spoken, 95% of students qualify for free and reduced lunch). For more information about BRAVO please contact us or visit www.oregonbravo.org.

Position Summary:

The BRAVO Woodwinds Teaching Artist serves as a member of a vibrant team of teachers who lead daily sectionals with approximately 12 students in grades 3-5. TAs participate in teaching general musicianship classes and assist their section in full orchestra rehearsals by modeling positive, focused behavior and coaching students. The teaching team meets together at a one-hour, weekly meeting. TAs will also attend and assist at BRAVO performances on a few pre-selected weekends or evenings (advance notice will be given of specific dates). BRAVO's schedule closely follows the public school calendar.

Qualifications:

- Passion for impacting students' lives through music, especially underserved or at-risk youth
- Effective classroom management techniques
- Prior experience teaching school age children
- Mastery of your instrument and strong general music knowledge
- Ability to work well in a racially and culturally diverse community
- Commitment to creating a nurturing atmosphere with evident mutual respect for students, parents/guardians, volunteers, and co-workers
- Punctuality, professionalism, and a commitment to excellence
- Ability to teach flute and clarinet to beginners

Position Requirements:

- Undergraduate degree in music (Masters degree preferred) or equivalent
- Minimum of 2 years teaching music in individual or group settings
- Successfully pass a background check

To Apply:

Please submit a resume, a letter of interest and (3) references by **Friday, June 2, 2017** to: adam@oregonbravo.org

Finalists will be asked to prepare a short musical selection for performance at the interview.

BRAVO serves a diverse population of students at Cesar Chavez School which is reflected in our current staff. BRAVO is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate based on age, color, disability, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran's status.