



Arizona School for the Arts

CHOIR TEACHER Grades 5-12 School Year 2024-2025

ASA's mission is to inspire creative thinkers and leaders through providing an innovative concentration in college preparation informed by the performing arts.

As a member of ASA's Choir Department, this faculty member will teach two middle school classes and two high school classes. There are approximately 40 students per class with a total of four classes in one content area per day. The curriculum includes the skills of rehearsal etiquette, vocal pedagogy, sight-singing in solfege (movable DO), diction, and theory as applicable for the content of the class. Knowledge of adolescent boys' changing voices is essential. The ASA choir program is a collaborative team of four faculty and nine different choirs. Each faculty member teaches their own levels. The faculty members collaborate on all performing events, department retreats, sectionals, and overall curricular continuity.

The ideal candidate feels confident in their skill set to teach students who have had beginning through intermediate level instruction.. Students explore cultural and historical context within selected concert repertoire ranging from traditional, classical, world, soundtrack, and popular music styles. Students develop the fundamentals of vocal technique, music theory, both a capella and accompanied large and small vocal ensemble performance, and critical listening.

ASA is devoted to fostering an inclusive environment where the enjoyment and benefits of a college preparatory and performing arts education are accessible to the entire community, and where all voices are listened to and valued, regardless of race, gender, and sexual orientation.

This position reports to the Dean of Arts.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Create a respectful, stimulating, purposeful, and student-centered classroom.
- Cultivate critical thinking and active participation in the classroom.
- Develop curriculum and assessments aligned to the ASA standards and department scope and sequence.
- Communicate clear objectives to students for all learning.
- Communicate progress and achievement to students and parents.
- Work cooperatively with colleagues in a team setting for curriculum design, assessment, and implementation.

- Collaborate and participate with the Choir Department faculty in team meetings, developing the department newsletter, establishing department culture and norms, problem solving, and coordinating the four Department Series and two Signature Series concerts.
- Collaborate and participate with the entire arts faculty in the school's annual end-of-year *Showcase* production.
- Uphold the school's philosophy, mission, vision, and values
- Perform Duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Music or Music Education (choral emphasis/expertise preferred) from an accredited four-year college or university; Masters of Music preferred.
- Proven musicianship and pedagogical skills as a performer and teacher with an extensive knowledge of choral repertoire.
- Proven experience working with student musicians of varying ages and experience; 3-4 years of classroom teaching experience preferred.
- Piano proficiency to guide classroom instruction required; piano performance skills preferred.
- Ability to sing and demonstrate and experience in conducting choral ensembles.
- Valid Arizona Department of Public Safety Identity Verified Prints (IVP) card.

Required Knowledge, Skills, and Personal Characteristics:

- A lifelong learner interested in acquiring new skills and knowledge.
- Passionate about students, content area, and teaching.
- Concerned about holistic development of the individual.
- Flexible, creative, and has the capacity to innovate.
- Excellent organizational, oral communication, and written communication skills.
- Experience with:
 - Effective classroom management skills.
 - Utilization of constructivist teaching strategies
 - Authentic assessment and rubrics
 - Google Workplace and Notation Software preferred

Salary and Benefits:

- Salary commensurate with experience.
- Full time position with benefits.
- Member of ASRS.

Interested candidates should submit the following via e-mail to employment@goasa.org:

- Cover letter, resume, three letters of reference, and the [ASA Application for Employment](#) found on the website.

ASA is an equal opportunity employer. Discrimination against an otherwise qualified individual with a disability or any individual by reason of race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, genetic information, or veteran status is prohibited. Efforts will be made in recruitment and employment to ensure equal opportunity in employment for all qualified persons.