OSAKA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF KWANSEI GAKUIN, JAPAN



Position available:

Middle School/High School Instrumental Music Teacher (Maternity leave cover)

Start date:

April 2022 to March 2023

The school:

Our Schools: Osaka and Senri International Schools of Kwansei Gakuin are two sister schools situated in north Osaka that share a campus, purpose, and mission. Osaka International School (OIS) is a K-12 school of 275 students that offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum and Senri International School (SIS) has 536 students following the Japanese middle and high school curriculum approved by the Japanese Ministry of Education. We were founded for the benefit of returnee, national, and international residents of the Kansai region, bringing together the best of Japanese and non-Japanese educational ideas, systems, and techniques. This win-win situation allows OIS students and faculty to make authentic connections with Japanese culture and traditions while SIS students and faculty experience a genuinely international environment unavailable at any other Japanese school. For more information about our schools, please see our website (www.senri.ed.jp/en).

Position:

We are looking for a dynamic, positive educator to provide instruction for beginning and intermediate band and choir students. The candidate should have experience in wind band instrument instruction, preferably in the area of woodwinds, as well as experience with teaching voice or vocal ensembles. Some additional experience with woodwind instrument maintenance, conducting, and/or arranging music is desirable. As a member of our shared programmes team, you will teach students from both SIS and OIS who have English levels ranging from beginner to native speaker. You will work with other faculty members in the music department to prepare students for concert performances.

Supervisor:

This position reports to the OIS Middle and High School Principal and the SIS Middle and High School Principals.

Qualifications & Experience

Experience teaching young people to play band instruments as well as some experience with vocal teaching and techniques is required. A teaching degree is preferred, but not necessary. Fluency or proficiency in English is necessary, with the ability to communicate in Japanese also preferred. The ability to adapt and tailor teaching for different levels of English ability is essential.

On a personal level, the ideal candidate is passionate about teaching, but is able to see the big picture and always act in the best interest of the entire school community. He/she will have a positive influence on a school community and create engaging lessons for a variety of student abilities and interests. The candidate will connect personally to students and is an advocate and mentor for academic, social, emotional and wellness areas. He/she will possess an international outlook and value the Two Schools Together concept.

Salary & Benefits:

This is an hourly wage teaching position. It is ideally suited to a local resident person or a traveling spouse that is not in need of relocation, allowances or other benefits that come with a full-time position. The number of in-charge hours will be informed prior to each term and is subject to change based on student needs. The number of hours is approved by the heads of schools of OIS and SIS. Typically, there will be 10-14 hours per week.

Application Procedures:

Please complete the online application form (<u>link here</u>). Upload a letter of application and CV in one pdf document, addressed to Mr Noburo Hagiwara & Mr Myles Jackson, the SIS and OIS Heads of School.

In your letter, please outline why you are interested in working at SOIS, what you can bring to our learning community, and how your qualifications and experience support your application.

You can also share links to your website, blog, or portfolio. We are accepting applications immediately and will be reviewing candidates as they apply.