



The Putney School Employment Opportunity

Theater Director

The Putney School is a secondary boarding school in rural Vermont, and a leader in progressive education. We understand that everything we do here is part of the curriculum and recognize that a diverse faculty and staff is crucial to the success and continued relevance of the our community. The school was founded in 1935 with a commitment to working for social justice and the current trustees have called for us to graduate students “who can work collaboratively across race, class and cultural divides.”

Position Summary

The theater director is responsible for the design and implementation of the theater program, in conjunction with the art department and other collaborators. The program resides in the academic curriculum, the evening arts program, and in its own time spaces as determined by the director and the school.

This is not currently a full time job. The breadth of abilities and experience of the successful candidate will dictate the evolution of the position. Housing on campus may be a possibility, including dormitory supervision.

Essential Responsibilities

- To imagine and create theater education consistent with Putney’s progressive pedagogy and culture
- To teach one or more academic classes in drama and acting
- To direct and produce plays each term outside the academic program

Essential skills, aptitudes and experience

- Broad knowledge of dramatic literature and good judgment about choice of material
- Strong directing skills and experience directing teenagers
- Ability to teach theater tech and set design
- Knowledge of progressive pedagogy and practice
- Ability to collaborate with faculty to develop interdisciplinary curriculum
- Competent in cross-cultural communication and pedagogies
- Strong ethics, clear boundaries and a good sense of humor

Qualified applicants should submit electronically a letter of interest, a curriculum vitae, and names and contact information for three references to employment@putneyschool.org. Please indicate **Theater Director** in the subject line.