

## **Visual Arts Instructor 1 position**

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The Visual Arts Instructor is responsible for teaching classes of elementary and/or middle school students activities to increase students' interest in art and to encourage students to be creative. The specific activities will depend on the talents of the instructor. It is important that this individual possesses strong communication and relational skills and is able to relate to and teach urban, elementary and middle school age students. It is also expected that the instructor will live his/her life in a way that is God-honoring both at and away from The Pittsburgh Project.

### **Qualifications:**

- a commitment to the Lordship of Jesus Christ over life and a solid grasp of the Bible
- a willingness and ability to articulate one's Christian faith
- a desire to help children grow academically, socially, and spiritually
- experience leading visual arts activities
- enjoy working with elementary and middle school youth
- proficiency in math, reading, and writing
- a teachable spirit
- a commitment to working as part of a team with other staff members
- organizational skills and problem solving skills
- a commitment to affirming the vision, mission, and goals of The Pittsburgh Project
- must be at least 18 years old

### **Responsibilities:**

- model an intentional Christian faith
- build caring relationships with students
- plan and lead visual arts activities
- organize at least one exhibition of students' work in the Fall and one exhibition in the Winter/Spring semester
- maintain a classroom environment that is safe and conducive to learning
- discipline students using age appropriate methods
- maintain accurate and neat records
- assist students in reaching the Youth Development long-term outcomes
- participate in regularly scheduled meetings and Youth Development training events
- participate in occasional Pittsburgh Project staff events

### **Schedule:**

Our schedule for 2010-11 runs from Monday, August 30, 2010 to Friday, May 27, 2011. The Visual Arts Instructor typically works Mondays through Thursdays from 3:45-6:00 PM and attends elementary and middle school team meetings. Specific days and times will depend on the programming needs. Hourly rates for this position are between \$10.50-\$12.50 an hour.

### **Accountability:**

The Performing Arts Instructor works as part of The Pittsburgh Project's Youth Development team and is supervised by Karen Shumaker, Elementary Coordinator and Bruce Foster, Middle School Coordinator.