



WHEELER

Lower School Art Teacher Begins August 2026

The Wheeler School, a co-ed, N-12 independent day school with city and farm campuses serving approximately 800 students in the Greater Providence and Greater Boston areas, is seeking an **Art Teacher** to join our Lower School.

Ideal candidates for faculty and staff positions at Wheeler are people with a sense of humor, warmth, and humility. They are excellent communicators, with empathy for others and an ability to listen and respond with good intuition and with the help of colleagues. They are ambitious and hard-working, committed to supporting students by offering help and creating new opportunities. When developing curriculum and programming, our faculty and staff members are curious, striving each year to stretch and grow, to implement new ideas that improve the Wheeler experience. In the end, they love to spend their days with young people, and enjoy all that the Wheeler community - creative, energetic, dynamic, and diverse - has to offer.

The **Lower School Art Teacher** collaborates with members of the Arts department and teaching colleagues in the Lower School. This position reports directly to the Head of the Lower School, the Head of the Hamilton School, and the chair of the Arts department. The Lower School Art Teacher adds their voice and their ideas to a positive, productive, and mission-driven Lower School culture.

The Lower School Art Teachers's primary responsibilities will include:

- Teach an engaging, multidisciplinary studio arts curriculum that encourages a number of different forms for expression (e.g. drawing, painting, sculpture, etc.)
- Follow a detailed and developmentally appropriate scope and sequence for studio arts education with young learners.
- Provide ongoing, constructive feedback to students to inspire them to extend their learning and to engage in self-reflection regarding their artistic abilities.
- Maintain documentation of student growth and progress and communicate this effectively and comprehensively during scheduled conferences and progress update meetings and within written reports.
- Co-teach Unity & Diversity lessons with a Lower School homeroom
- Implement SEL routines and lessons within the classroom
- Maintain regular communication with colleagues and connects with families as needed
- Collaborate as a member of the Arts department to continuously improve and develop innovative, learner-centered curriculum and instructional practices
- Seek opportunities to collaborate with colleagues across the division and school to enhance academic programming
- Demonstrate initiative, creativity, flexibility, and engagement while pursuing projects, goals, and the mission of the School

The ideal candidate will have these professional characteristics, skills and qualities:

Education: Bachelor's degree required. Master's degree preferred, practicing artist preferred

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Work Experience: Minimum of three years' experience in art education preferred. Extensive understanding of child development and a strong background and familiarity in arts education with young learners.

Communication Skills: Strong written and oral communication skills and experience communicating with colleagues and families of various backgrounds and perspectives. Reflective, self-aware, and emotionally intelligent, with a responsibility to build positive, productive relationships with colleagues, students, and their families. Seeks and applies constructive feedback with an open mind and with the desire to act on it for the sake of development of the N-12 curriculum and professional improvement.

Interpersonal Skills: Excellent interpersonal skills, with the ability to engage effectively with students, parents, faculty, and other members of the school community in a way reflective of the school's culture, and to project professional competence, leadership capability, discretion, judgment, and personal maturity.

Interested candidates should email a resume and cover letter to Kate Hewitt, Head of Lower School, at katehewitt@wheelerschool.org and Bill McCarthy, Head of the Hamilton School at Wheeler, at billmccarthy@wheelerschool.org. Additionally, applications should cc careers@wheelerschool.org when submitting their resume and cover letter, and materials will be accepted until the position is filled.

Statement on Diversity and Cultural Competency At Wheeler

We actively seek students, faculty, and staff from diverse backgrounds in the belief that a broad range of experiences and viewpoints enhance learning, enriches life on campus, and better prepares us all for full participation in a pluralistic, democratic society. We seek to further the overall diversity and cultural competency within our community through hiring.

The Wheeler School is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity for all employees and qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, national origin or disability, and any other category protected by federal, state or local law.

About The Wheeler School:

Founded in 1889 by visionary artist and educator Mary C. Wheeler, The Wheeler School is an N-12 independent day school of approximately 800 students from throughout Greater Providence and Greater Boston. Wheeler's mission, "to learn our powers and be answerable for their use," is incorporated into our classrooms, athletic fields, art studios, and STEAM labs, as students are encouraged to think deeply and explore the world on and beyond our two campuses in the College Hill neighborhood of Providence, Rhode Island and our 120-acre farm in Seekonk, Massachusetts. Across Wheeler's campuses and grades, dedicated faculty and staff identify students' learning path and passions, challenging and supporting them in pursuit of academic excellence, artistic expression, and personal growth. Our graduates are prepared for college and life as creative, ethical, and engaged global citizens. Wheeler is also home to The Hamilton School, where skilled faculty meet students' learning differences with the individualized instruction that leads to success.