



Studio Art Teacher (Grades 7-12)

Position Details

Position: Studio Art Teacher

Department: Visual & Performing Arts

Reports To: Visual & Performing Arts Department Chair

Status: Full-time, faculty (August 1-June 1)

Start Date: August 1, 2026

Montgomery Bell Academy (MBA) seeks a full-time studio art teacher for the start of the 2026-27 school year. Ideal candidates will be able to teach a general studio art class to students from 7th to 12th grade and to be proficient in teaching a range of artistic skills, including drawing, painting, printmaking, photography, pottery, and sculpture. MBA promotes a “teacher-coach” model in which full-time faculty members are also expected to extend their “teaching” beyond the four walls of the classroom into athletic and extracurricular activities depending on the interests of the faculty member and the needs of the school. Furthermore, all MBA faculty members are expected to guide the boys not only in the pursuit of academic excellence, but also in the importance of kindness, humility, inclusion, and honor as part of developing twenty-first century gentlemen.

Core Responsibilities

- Teach two-to-three separate studio art curricular in up to four classes
- Work closely with other studio art teachers to align class materials and pacing
- Maintain up-to-date gradebooks throughout the year and compose meaningful typed or hand-written comments on student progress three times annually
- Assist the Visual & Performing Arts Department with arts-related extracurricular activities and special events as directed by the department chair
- Remain available throughout the school day for inter-departmental absence coverage
- Coach or lead significant extracurricular sport(s) or activity/activities as assigned
- Sponsor an advisory of up to 14 students (after teaching at MBA for one year)
- Express care and concern for boys beyond classroom achievement
- Offer individualized out-of-class support to students as needed

- Attend all department meetings, faculty meetings, area meetings, and other required events outlined in the Employee Handbook and Academic Handbook
- Participate in regular professional development opportunities, including staying familiar with best practices within middle and high school arts classes

Qualifications

- Completed Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university required
- An advanced degree in the Visual Arts is preferred
- Previous experience teaching art at the K-12 or college level and experience with boys schools is also preferred

Additional Expectations - Physical Environment & Travel

While performing the duties of this position, the employee is required to sit; stand; walk; use hands to finger, handle, and feel objects, tools, or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb stairs; balance; stoop, kneel, crouch and crawl; talk and hear; engage in moderately strenuous physical activity both indoors and out; and smell. The employee may occasionally lift or move up to 30 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this position include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus. Some local, long-distance, and overnight travel may also be required.

About Montgomery Bell Academy

Montgomery Bell Academy is an all-boys college preparatory school for students in grades 7 through 12. We were founded in 1867 and believe in the value of balancing proven traditions with innovative adaptations to best equip our graduates to meet the demands of the 21st century world. Our main campus is located in west Nashville, and our student body consists of around 850 boys served by over 150 faculty and staff. Our mission is to shape these young men to become "Gentlemen, Scholars, and Athletes" through a combination of wide-ranging character and service programs, a rigorous and varied academic curriculum, and a series of competitive and high-achieving sports programs. We also place great value on celebrating and furthering diversity and inclusion in all aspects of campus life, as well as maintaining an overarching focus on the wellness of our entire community in physical, mental, and emotional terms. More information about our school can be found on our website, www.montgomerybell.edu.

Application Information

Interested applicants should send a cover letter expressing their interest and qualifications for the position along with a current resume to Mrs. Langhorne Coleman, Assistant to the Head of School (langhorne.colemanl@montgomerybell.edu).