



Posted Date: August 27, 2026

Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

Position Start Date: September 2026

Position: Music Teacher & Assistant Musical Director

Location: The Knox School, St. James, NY

Department: Fine & Performing Arts / Student Life

Employment Type: Full-Time, Boarding School Faculty (Includes Housing)

About The Knox School

The Knox School is an independent, college preparatory boarding and day school located on the North Shore of Long Island in St. James, NY. We are committed to providing an environment that fosters character, leadership, and academic excellence.

Position Summary

The Knox School seeks a dynamic, versatile, and collaborative Music Teacher to lead our choral and instrumental music programs. The ideal candidate can play the piano, direct the Knox choir and can inspire students across various skill levels and collaborate across departments to enhance the school's vibrant arts program.

This full-time position includes residential responsibilities, providing on-campus private housing in exchange for dorm parent duties.

Key Responsibilities

- **Choral & Keyboard Instruction:** Direct and conduct student vocal ensembles and choir programs; provide piano accompaniment for school events, rehearsals, and performances.
- **Musical Direction:** Collaborate closely with the Theatre Director as the Musical Director for the annual Spring Musical (vocal coaching, pit band/accompaniment).
- **Ensemble & Program Management:** Lead and instruct student ensembles, with the potential to direct the school Rock Band and coordinate the campus private lesson program based on candidate skill set.
- **Curriculum & Pedagogy:** Design and deliver engaging music curricula tailored to a diverse college-preparatory student body.
- **Residential Life Duties:** Serve as a Dorm Parent under the direction of the Director of Residential Life, supervising evening/weekend duties, supporting residential students, and contributing to the campus community.

Qualifications & Requirements

- **Education:** Bachelor's degree in Music, Music Education, Vocal Performance, or a related field (Master's preferred).
- **Technical Proficiency:** Exceptional piano accompaniment skills and proven vocal/choral instruction experience.
- **Collaborative Spirit:** Experience in musical theatre production and pit/vocal direction.
- **Versatility:** Proficiency or strong interest in modern band ensembles (Rock Band) and private lesson coordination is a plus.
- **Residential Readiness:** Ability and enthusiasm to live on campus, manage dorm responsibilities, and mentor residential students.

Benefits & Compensation

- Competitive salary commensurate with experience.
- Private, on-campus housing included (inclusive of utilities).
- Comprehensive school benefits package (health, dental, retirement).

Application Instructions

Interested candidates should submit the following materials in PDF format:

- Current Resume / CV
- Cover Letter
- Three (3) professional letters of recommendations
- Teaching Portfolio or links to performance/conducting media samples (optional but strongly encouraged)

To inquire about the position please email Head of School, Virginia Riccardi at vriccardi@knoxschool.org