



## Dance Teacher

Shawnigan Lake School is a leading independent co-educational boarding school for ages 13-18 (grades 8-12) on Canada's beautiful west coast. Our world-class facilities situated on a stunning 270-acre campus include eleven boarding houses, a dance studio, film lab, an observatory, salmon hatchery, rowing crew house on the lake, state of the art Learning Commons and Library, theatre, recording studio, and robotics lab. Our diverse, inter-disciplinary and innovative programming helps shape the next generation of global leaders.

For more information, explore our [Shawnigan at a Glance](#).

Shawnigan provides academic ambition to develop a culture of collaboration, independence and resilience in our students through educators and peers who inspire our students to embrace a love of learning by challenging them to solve problems critically and creatively.

Staff endorse our School's values (Curiosity, Compassion, Community and Courage) and are deeply committed to our mission: Spark Minds, Kindle Hearts, Forge Futures.

Shawnigan is always looking for outstanding, worldly and world-class, diverse, and ambitious educators to inspire our students and to model our three pillars of Academic Excellence, Co-Curricular Distinction and Student Life Unparalleled. As a teacher at Shawnigan, you will contribute to all facets of life on an international boarding school campus with 85% of our students as full-time boarders, representing over thirty different countries from around the world. We offer a competitive compensation package and a nurturing, family-friendly workplace.

### JOB DESCRIPTION

#### *DANCE TEACHER*

Shawnigan is seeking a highly motivated and talented Dance Teacher for September 2022. The Dance Teacher will provide exceptional curricular and co-curricular dance opportunities within and outside the Shawnigan community, including through exciting programs and performances, marketing, involvement with admissions and development of possible summer programs.

**There is also the opportunity to apply in parallel for the leadership position of Head of Curricular Fine Art and Applied Skills and Design. Please visit our [careers](#) page for further details.**

Preference will be given to qualified teachers who are a) academically multi-disciplinary b) can offer expertise, experience and enthusiasm in co-curricular activities c) are committed to contributing to our boarding campus and community d) and can contribute to the delivery of our strategic plan, [Project Future](#).

Previous experience of the British Columbia curriculum and/or internationally recognized academic curricula is required.

## ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Reporting directly to both the Assistant Head, Academics and the Academic Department Head, Teachers are expected to:

- Carry assigned load of classes while meeting all of Shawnigan's prep, planning and reporting protocols as expected in the teaching profession;
- Contribute to the co-curricular program of the School through multiple afternoons of engagement with students through dance as a '360' co-curricular and sport option, thereby increasing the number of students who are exposed to dance;
- Cater to all levels of dance from beginner to advanced levels;
- Offer dance qualifications such as the Royal Academy of Dance (RAD) or equivalent;
- Collaborate with fellow department members and across departments to design and deliver content that challenges our students and prepares them for their post-secondary pathways;
- Be available to support students in their learning through tutorials or enrichment opportunities;
- Be involved in the full Shawnigan program and the delivery of "[The Shawnigan Journey](#)";
- Work in collaboration with the Admissions Department when an interest in dance is expressed by a potential student;
- Organize multiple opportunities for students to showcase their dance to the School, local and wider community through performances and competition involvement;
- Inspire students to create, perform and lead.

## REQUIREMENTS

- Only candidates holding certification to teach dance Grades 8-12 within British Columbia will be considered;
- Preference will be given to those with a BC Certification of Qualification;
- Must be eligible to work in Canada;
- Candidates should hold a post-secondary degree or related certification in dance or a related field;
- Ability to adapt to changing enrollments in curricular dance by being certified in other teachables;
- Experience teaching students from Grades 8 to 12 in a variety of areas such as ballet, jazz, contemporary dance, hip hop, tap and other areas;
- A proven record of encouraging students and practicing inclusion for all genders to embrace and find joy within dance;
- Experience with choreography;
- Proven record of professionalism, punctuality, flexibility, dependability, and reliability;
- Experience working with teenagers, preferably in a boarding / campus environment;
- Strong communication skills;
- Experience organizing student performances;
- Experience preparing students for local and provincial competitions.

## NEXT STEPS

To apply, please send a resume and cover letter specifically expressing your interest in working at Shawnigan to the attention of Wendy Milne, Assistant Head, Academics, via email at [recruitment@shawnigan.ca](mailto:recruitment@shawnigan.ca).

Those who are brought forward into the interview process will receive further details about compensation, benefits and the duties and expectations of a full-time Shawnigan teacher.

We ask you to please provide references at the shortlist stage of the recruitment process.

*Shawnigan Lake School is an equal opportunity employer committed to establishing an inclusive, equitable, and accessible environment for all. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status or any other basis protected by applicable law.*

**We express our appreciation to all applicants for their interest in this position, however only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.**

**Competition closes when filled.**

05/25/2022

