



JOB POSTING • HIGH SCHOOL WOODSHOP CAREER PATHWAY LEAD TEACHER

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THE ELIOT SCHOOL

The [Eliot School](https://eliot-school.org) inspires lifelong learning in craft and creativity for all. Our programs cultivate welcoming environments where people convene across a continuum of age, economic means and backgrounds to build skills, craftsmanship, and community. We sustain connections to communities in Greater Boston and beyond.

~7,000 people (in non-COVID times) engage with us each year. We teach 1,600 students in our schoolhouse each year, plus 2,000 children through our School & Community Partnerships. Find out more at <https://eliot-school.org>. Classes for all ages take place in our schoolhouse and annex, and, for youth, in schools and community centers throughout Boston. Our focus is on manual arts, including woodworking/furniture, sewing/fashion/fiber arts, drawing/painting, book arts/mixed media. Other programs include creative youth development, an annual artist's residency, talks and other events.

Our staff and board have made explicit commitments to three strategic imperatives: racial equity, artistic excellence, and financial sustainability. This position supports all three.

The Eliot School provides arts programming at Boston Public Schools, community centers, and libraries. There, our students reflect BPS demographics: 56% economically disadvantaged, 31% English Language Learners, 20% Students with Disabilities, 86% Students of Color.

HIGH SCHOOL WOODSHOP CAREER PATHWAY LEAD TEACHER

We seek a committed, professional, and inspiring teacher who is passionate about teaching woodworking skills to young people as a foundation for career pathways. We are specifically searching for an individual who has experience with woodworking and experience working with high school students and interested in working with us to build a career pathway program. This person must have creative ways to engage youth who learn in alternative ways and may be disengaged with academic learning. Bilingual candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

This position will be approximately 20-25 hours a week, starting September 2022.

Core Responsibilities

- Develop and implement curriculum that teaches of woodworking skills and techniques in classrooms and wood shop.
- With support from Associate Director, develop multiple year program plan for career pathway in craft and carpentry.
- Develop partnerships with schools, businesses, and necessary stakeholders to achieve program goals.
- Teach and engage diverse populations across race, cultural boundaries, and different abilities.
- Collaborate with program and site administrators, faculty, and students.
- Assess participant learning and evaluate overall program effectiveness, using Eliot School materials.
- Model core values and best practices in classroom management and teaching.
- Share genuine respect and support for all students to succeed.
- Communicate regularly with program administration through e-mail, phone calls, and/or in person.
- Participate in professional development provided by the Eliot School.

- Serve as a positive ambassador for the Eliot School and uphold the organization’s mission, vision, values, and strategic direction.

Qualifications & Skills

- A minimum of a high school diploma or the equivalent
- Minimum of three years recent full-time employment in carpentry, wood shop instruction, or related field
- Associate degree or Bachelor degree may substitute for one or two years of employment
- Vocational Technical Teacher License or waiver eligible.
- Excellent relationship-building skills.
- Strong time management and organizational skills.
- Passion for engaging all students in the creative process.
- Flexibility, patience, and self-motivation.
- Strong communication skills: to talk with teachers, staff, administrators, parents.
- Ability to travel to various locations throughout Boston.
- Bilingual fluency a plus: Spanish, Kreyol, Mandarin, etc.

Salary & Benefits

Starting at \$25 per hour. Increases with tenure. Health insurance (partial) if schedule averages 20 hours or more per week; employer match for 401k retirement plan; family & medical leave.

To Apply:

Please fill out this survey and follow the code instructions: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/35C7NWJ>

Submit resume, cover letter and art samples to acroney@eliotsschool.org with “High School Woodshop Career Pathway Lead Teacher” in the subject line. Applications accepted until June 10, 2023