



Upper School Drama Teacher
& Theater Director
Start Date: August 2020



FRIENDS'
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SCHOOL

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Mission: We cultivate the intellectual, spiritual, and ethical promise of our students

Vision: To awaken courage and intellect – and peacefully transform the world

Friends' Central School Overview

Friends' Central School is an independent, coeducational Quaker day school founded in 1845 and serving approximately 800 students in Nursery through grade 12. Located in the Philadelphia suburbs, the School has two campuses. The Middle & Upper Schools are located just outside of West Philadelphia in Wynnewood, and the Lower School is on our Old Gulph Road campus in the heart of Wynnewood.

The exceptional faculty at Friends' Central offers a curriculum that cultivates the intellectual, spiritual, and ethical growth of our students. Our pedagogy is grounded in continuing revelation, reflection, integrity, and a willingness to accept responsibility. From Nursery to grade 12, our students participate in a process designed to foster creative, critical, and flexible thinking, along with compassion. As they transform from playful children to skilled, self-possessed teenagers, they are always intellectually curious and engaged thinkers. Friends' Central prepares graduates to succeed in college and in life.

Upper School Drama Teacher & Theater Director

Friends' Central's Upper School seeks a dedicated, enthusiastic teacher of drama and director for Upper School theatrical productions. The position involves teaching Upper School drama classes; directing two Upper School plays per year – one in the fall and one in the winter (one of which is typically a musical); overseeing a student-directed 9th and 10th grade play in the spring; and being a student advisor. Qualified candidates will have experience teaching drama and directing student productions. A bachelor's degree in a related field and a passion for working with high school students are also required. An advanced degree is preferred. This is a full-time position beginning in August 2020.

We seek someone who will:

- Be an enthusiastic teacher and supportive guide for high school-aged students
- Continue to develop and coordinate our drama curriculum
- Stay current with best practices in teaching the performing arts
- Be an engaged member of the Friends' Central faculty and wider community
- Have the mindset and ability to work in close partnership with colleagues and parents
- Enhance the School's commitment to diversity and inclusivity
- Understand and be committed to the School's Quaker values and mission

Candidates should possess excellent interpersonal skills, communication skills, and an understanding of the developmental needs of students in grades 9-12. This position also involves being an advisor, which entails monitoring the progress of a small group of advisees. Upper School teachers also lead a club and participate in service, so candidates are asked to share any relevant experience in these areas beyond the drama classroom/stage. It would also be beneficial if the candidate could teach a class other than drama.

Upper School play rehearsals take place after school (3:15-5:30 pm), so candidates should be prepared to have those hours available during the months of September through November and January through March. Weekends also have been used for rehearsals in the past.

For more information on Friends' Central, please visit friendscentral.org

Qualified applicants should submit a cover letter, resume, and three references, with the files clearly named, to careers@friendscentral.org.

Friends' Central School seeks candidates with a commitment to fostering an inclusive learning community who will address issues of diversity, as well as enhance the Philosophy of Inclusivity and Awareness articulated in our [Diversity Statement](#).

