



Shaping the Future of Music.

Triangle Youth Jazz Band Director Job Opening

Job Type: Part-time, August – May

Schedule: Sundays, September – April (12:15 PM – 1:15 PM Combo Rehearsal; 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM Full Band Rehearsal)

Location: Price Music Center, NC State University (Raleigh, NC)

About TYJB:

The Triangle Youth Jazz Band (TYJB) is an intermediate-level ensemble generally for grades 7-12. TYJB is designed for musicians who want to continue developing their improvisation skills while performing in a full jazz ensemble setting. Students perform intermediate-level big band jazz in a professional environment, while working on improvisation skills and learning more about jazz and jazz history.

Areas of Responsibility:

- Direct and conduct weekly rehearsals, sectionals, and jazz combos for the Triangle Youth Jazz Band (TYJB).
- Select appropriate intermediate-level big band and combo repertoire.
- Create musical growth in areas such as improvisation, stylistic knowledge, ensemble performance, musicianship, and interpretation.
- Prepare students for scheduled public concerts, festivals, and special events, and assist with student ensemble placement.
- Maintain an inclusive and positive learning environment that aligns with TYM's organizational values of Excellence, Community, Collaboration, and Creativity.
- Effectively collaborate with the other band directors and help support the TYM Jazz Band programs as a whole.
- Effectively communicate, in coordination with administrative staff, with students and parents regarding expectations and rehearsals.
- Effectively communicate and collaborate with artistic staff
- Handle music library duties for the ensemble, including preparing music, tracking parts, and filing charts post-performance.
- Help prepare audition materials for spring publication
- Attend season planning and evaluation meetings, as well as scheduled TYM Jazz director meetings

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience directing jazz ensembles and teaching middle school and/or high school students.
- Strong background in jazz performance, improvisation, and big band repertoire.
- Excellent rehearsal and conducting skills.
- Ability to motivate and connect with young musicians.
- Strong organizational and communication skills.
- Degree in music education, jazz studies, performance, or related field preferred, but equivalent professional experience will be considered.

Application Process:

Please send your resume and cover letter to: executive@triangleyouthmusic.org by August 1st. Please include "TYJB application" in the subject line. Finalists will be interviewed via Zoom and will audition live at a mutually agreed upon time in August. Rehearsals begin in September. Note: *Employment is contingent upon the successful completion of a standard criminal background check.*

Salary Information:

\$725–\$825 per month for 10 months, commensurate with experience

About Triangle Youth Music:

Mission

Triangle Youth Music empowers young musicians to connect by fostering creativity, community, musical excellence, and lifelong appreciation of the arts.

Vision

Triangle Youth Music creates an accessible and vibrant arts community where music unites and uplifts us all.

Values

Excellence: We inspire young musicians to reach their highest potential, both individually and collectively, through dedication and high-quality educational experiences.

Community: We cultivate a diverse, inclusive, and welcoming environment where students form lasting connections through shared musical experiences.

Collaboration: We foster meaningful partnerships with local organizations, schools, educators, and musicians to enrich learning and share the joy of music.

Creativity: We nurture artistic exploration and expression, empowering young musicians to develop confidence and find their unique voices through music.

Diversity, Equity, Accessibility, and Inclusion Statement

Triangle Youth Music recognizes that our musical ensembles need unique instruments and unique players. We thrive on diversity of skills, talent, and creativity, reflecting our individual and collective expressions. We are committed to providing an open space where our musicians can excel.