



## Colorado High School Charter

### Visual and/or Graphic Arts Teacher

Colorado High School Charter is seeking a Visual and/or Graphic Arts Teacher at our GES campus in Denver, Colorado for the 2023-24 school year. In partnership with a number of community organizations, Colorado High School provides students with a unique and innovative learning environment that allows them to focus on engaging and relevant core content classes (Math, Science, Social Studies and English Language Arts) while taking advantage of numerous post-secondary exploration opportunities, such as concurrent enrollment and community partner classes and programs.

#### Colorado High School Charter Overview

**Mission:** Colorado High School Charter is transforming the alternative education experience by igniting the potential within each of the diverse young people we serve. CHSC ensures students' personal and academic growth by creating tailored curricula, a supportive school environment, and community partnerships. We empower our students to succeed in life and positively contribute to their families and communities by offering them the freedom and resources to pursue a post-secondary path aligned with their individualized goals.

**Vision:** Schools that Empower People

**Core Values:** Relationships, High Expectations, Growth, Inclusivity, Wellness, Third-fourth-fifth Way

**About:** Colorado High School Charter (CHSC) is one of the leading alternative education campuses in Denver, serving students in grades 9-12. As an educator at CHSC, you will have the opportunity to develop meaningful relationships with your students while receiving regular coaching and professional development to allow you to deliver exceptional instruction for students who are looking for a small, supportive and relevant school setting.

<https://www.coloradohighschoolcharter.com/>

#### What makes teaching at CHSC unique?

Constant learning through weekly coaching and professional development focused on culturally sustaining and inclusive practices

A focus on student personal and academic growth achieved through relevant and intentionally created curricula, a supportive school environment and community partnerships

Social emotional support for students to remove barriers in and out of the classroom so ALL students can be successful

A positive culture that regularly celebrates student and staff achievement

We are in demand. Students are consistently referred to our schools and word is spreading about the amazing work we do

4-day school week for students with alternating Fridays off for staff to promote work/life balance

### **What do we look for in candidates?**

You are passionate about education in an alternative education setting where we recognize our students are looking for a school experience that is different than a traditional, comprehensive high school. We build off of best practices that work for our students AND have the autonomy and support to be innovative in our practices.

You are excited about Colorado High School's mission.

You recognize the value of learning through real-world application and are eager to help all students consider a range of satisfying career paths.

You are excited about the opportunity to engage students inside and outside of the classroom through the creation of relevant curricula and programming.

You have experience or a strong desire to work with young people who have struggled personally or academically in conventional school settings.

You are tenacious about your own professional growth and have the ability to seek and apply feedback to improve your practice.

You will teach multiple sections of visual and/or graphic arts content to students over the course of four 8-week quarters. You will provide multiple opportunities for students to engage in hands-on learning and work with varied mediums to explore facets of art.

### **Visual and/or Graphic Arts Teacher Responsibilities:**

- Create standard aligned curriculum with an emphasis on real world relevancy.
- Deliver engaging, standards-aligned real world relevant curricula.
- Manage the classroom effectively through a warm demander approach, by developing quality relationships and high expectations for students to maintain a productive learning environment.
- Positively impact achievement and differentiate instruction based on the needs of students, including multilingual, special education, and gifted and talented students.
- Work collaboratively with students, families, and colleagues.
- Support and actively participate in professional learning communities, professional development, and staff team-building exercises.
- Actively participate in inclusivity work on a personal and school level through constant self-reflection, actively seeking and exploring diverse perspectives, a love of learning, growing and challenging yourself and others.

- Utilize multiple online platforms to monitor attendance, post grades, and deliver student assignments.
- Support and willingly engage with Restorative Justice Practices.
- Support structured time and space to support student achievement, such as holding after school study halls.
- Collaborate with peers, instructional coach, and administration to refine practice.
- Engage families and community members through phone calls and CHSC Family Nights (broader outreach, ex. Home visits).
- Develop meaningful relationships with students, their families and the communities they come from.

Work hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8:30 to 3:30 alternating Fridays. There will be occasional evening commitments for school events.

### **Qualifications**

Colorado High School Charter seeks candidates with strong character, passion for supporting students of diverse backgrounds and needs, and a relentless commitment to improvement and learning.

### **Required:**

- One of the following:
  - Subject matter endorsement on a Colorado teaching license
  - Bachelor's degree or higher with major in subject matter
  - 36 semester credit hours in subject matter
  - Passing score in subject matter on Praxis exam
- Strong knowledge of teaching methods, learning styles and educational research related to secondary learners
- Ability to create curriculum, performance tasks, and assessments with state content standards
- Strong communication, organization, and planning skills
- Strong interpersonal skills with the ability to build rapport quickly, facilitating positive relationships with students and coworkers
- Problem solving skills
- Proficiency in the use of technology
- Permanent US work authorization

### **Desired:**

- Experience working with young people who have struggled personally or academically in conventional school settings.

### **Compensation**

The starting salary for this position is between \$53,185 and \$76,740, depending on education and experience. The maximum salary for this position is approximately \$90,000. A comprehensive benefits package is included. Teachers are eligible for the Federal Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program.

## To Apply

Submit cover letter and resume to: [dbrown@chscharter.org](mailto:dbrown@chscharter.org)

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