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Call for Applicants  
Director of Music Ministries for Children and Youth

Rye Presbyterian Church, a 1,100-plus member congregation of the Presbyterian Church, USA, seeks a creative, energetic, and faith-filled individual to serve as the church's Director of Music Ministries for Children and Youth.

Duties for this part-time position (average of ten [10] hours per week) include directing two choirs (Grades 1-5; Grades 6-8), infusing the rehearsal time with age-appropriate instruction in music reading and ear training, directing the church's annual Christmas Pageant, along with the Live Nativity component of the church's Christmas Eve services, and providing music enrichment for the Sunday School program. The Director of Music Ministries for Children and Youth works with and reports to the Director of Music and Organist. In addition, the Director of Music Ministries for Children and Youth works occasionally with the Associate Pastor. The complete job description is posted here: <https://ryepc.com/director-of-music-ministries-for-children-and-youth-search/>

Applicants are expected to have a minimum of a bachelor's degree in music education, or performance with an education minor or significant coursework (voice or choral conducting emphasis). A minimum of five (5) years working as a music professional (educator, performer, or conductor) focused on children and youth is preferred, with evidence of growth in numbers and engagement by the targeted age groups.

Necessary skills include: The ability to create and maintain a positive rehearsal or performance environment and, in so doing, keep children and youth focused, stimulated, and inspired; keyboard skills that demonstrate the ability to lead or accompany a rehearsal or performance; and excellent written and oral communication skills. Applicants also should possess a grounded and growing faith, a passion for music and its place in spiritual formation, and an enjoyment of children and youth with all their energy and curiosity.

**Starting compensation, commensurate with experience, is a minimum of \$15,000**, reflecting an average of ten (10) hours per week for approximately forty (40) weeks (the program year being mid-September through mid-June). Please submit a cover letter, a résumé (including three persons who could serve as references), and up to three audio/video samples of your work with or performances by children and youth under your direction. Please send materials via email to [search@ryepc.com](mailto:search@ryepc.com). The deadline for receipt of materials is November 10, 2022.

The materials-review and candidate-interview process will occur during the middle and latter portions of November. The goal is to have the Director of Music Ministries for Children and Youth begin work in early January, 2023.