

The Pingry School Master (Stage) Carpenter - Drama Department 2019-20

Founded in 1861, The Pingry School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory day school for students in Kindergarten through Grade 12. Situated on two spacious campuses in Basking Ridge and Short Hills, New Jersey, the school draws students of varied talents and diverse backgrounds from nearly 100 communities in New Jersey and New York. Together, our two campuses in Short Hills (K-5) and Basking Ridge (6-12) serve more than 1,100 students, of whom 49% are people of color. Pingry students participate in an engaging and challenging academic program, complemented by extensive co- and extracurricular opportunities, thriving in a community that is committed to intellectual engagement, diversity and inclusion, honor and character, and stewardship and sustainability.

The Pingry School-Basking Ridge Campus seeks a **10-month**, part-time master (stage) carpenter to join a diverse academic community. The ideal candidate has excellent carpentry skills, sound technical expertise, working knowledge of stagecraft, and an ability to interpret and implement set design blueprints in collaboration with the set designer, theater director, and technical staff (lighting designer, sound designer and student technicians). With safety as a primary concern, the master carpenter must understand safety issues involved with set building, store lumber securely, and keep the shop clean, stocked, and organized. This candidate must be able to manage heavy lifting and position set pieces according to specifications.

The master carpenter is committed to guiding young people as they construct their understanding of stagecraft in a student-centered theater environment. A person with consistently high standards, the candidate of choice seeks growth and learning every day, both personally and professionally, and inspires others to do the same through optimism, selflessness, flexibility, and teamwork. With robust interpersonal skills, the selected candidate has an ease with diverse constituencies, a demonstrated commitment to an inclusive school community, and a real desire to contribute to the school community.

The Drama Department produces four shows per year: the Upper School fall play in November, the Upper School musical in February, the senior play in in March, and the Middle School musical in April. Additionally, the Department supports a largely student-run production as part of the Independent Senior Project (ISP) program. The work hours for the master carpenter are generally 2:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. daily plus two or three Saturday per show (for building, technical rehearsals, shows, and strike).

To apply, please send resume, personal statement and cover letter to Delvin Dinkins, Assistant Head of School-Basking Ridge Campus (Grades 6 through 12) at ddinkins@pingry.org.