



Prelude Teaching Assistant (PreK-K)

2025 – 2026 Season

Bellevue Youth Choirs | Tuesdays

What We Look for in a BYC Staff Member:

At Bellevue Youth Choirs, we're more than just a place to sing – we're a vibrant community where kids grow as musicians, teammates, and confident individuals. Our staff are at the heart of that mission.

An ideal BYC team member is:

- **Growth-Oriented** – Embraces children's potential and nurtures them through joyful, challenging experiences.
- **Wholehearted** – Respects each student's identity and connects with them as individuals.
- **Joyful** – Brings energy, fun, and warmth to every rehearsal.
- **Collaborative** – Works well across teams and communicates proactively.
- **Globally Minded** – Values authentic, diverse repertoire and the rich perspectives our families bring.
- **Creative** – Engages students through inventive, kinesthetic learning.
- **Musicianship-Driven** – Models strong musical skills and artistic excellence.

About the Position

BYC seeks a Teaching Assistant to join our team and work with our Pre-K to Kindergarten choirs. This person will work closely with our lead director, Ms. Janet Ankomah. Attending concerts is entirely optional and piano skills are not necessary. The ideal candidate has a passion for early childhood music and is able to assist the director with any student needs.

Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 5:10-5:55pm and 6:00-6:45pm. The Teaching Assistant asked to be on-site from 5:00-6:45pm.

Rehearsals begin the week of **September 8, 2025**, following the Bellevue School District calendar (with breaks during Thanksgiving, Winter, Midwinter, and Spring).

Responsibilities:

- Provide classroom assistance for Ms. Janet Ankomah during Prelude rehearsal (PreK-K) on Tuesdays from 5:00 – 6:45pm. (Includes arriving 10 minutes earlier than choristers)
- Be a confident vocal model for students in rehearsal.
- Serve as a role model (rehearsal technique, mutual respect, musical/vocal) for choristers in all choir levels.

- Assist Ms. Janet Ankomah with classroom management and chorister needs.
- Optionally – attend our March and June Mainstage concerts (tentatively planned for March 22nd and June 6th)

Qualifications:

- Formal music training; degree in collaborative piano or music education preferred.
- Passion for early childhood music education.
- Prior experience teaching children in a classroom setting preferred.
- Desire to create artistry with young people; experience working with preschool/elementary aged students.
- Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to communicate clearly with children and adults.
- Collaborative – can work with other BYC teachers, pianists, and instrumentalists during the rehearsal process and concerts.
- Effective and responsive communication skills for working with choristers, parents and staff in a timely manner.
- A desire to see BYC grow and thrive and to help foster a greater sense of community and belonging.

Position Details

Status: Hourly, part-time. September through June. One-year renewable contract.

Pay: \$35-50/hour for rehearsals, depending on experience. \$150-200 flat rate per Mainstage concert. Additional pay for tours/outreach when applicable.

Reports to: Executive & Artistic Director, Kayla Johnson

Location: Cross of Christ Church, 411 156th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98007. Concert locations vary.

Bellevue Youth Choirs is an equal opportunity employer that values diversity at all levels. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, sex, sexual orientation, trans-gender status, ethnicity, marital status, disability, or religious belief. Successful candidates must pass a Criminal Records Check and have legal status to work in the USA.

About BYC

Bellevue Youth Choirs (BYC) is a nonprofit organization founded in 2012, serving youth from Pre-K through 12th+ grade across the greater Bellevue area. Choristers learn vocal technique, musicianship, and performance skills while participating in mainstage concerts, outreach events, festivals, and collaborations with premier musical groups.

Mission Statement: BYC creates a joyful, inclusive musical community for youth by providing exemplary musicianship training and exciting performance opportunities.

To apply, send a letter of interest and resume to Executive Artistic Director Kayla Johnson at kayla@bellevueyouthchoirs.org.

More Info: www.bellevueyouthchoirs.org | [YouTube](#)

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