

COALITION FOR HISPANIC FAMILY SERVICES
Beacon Center for Arts & Leadership at IS 291K

Job Posting

Job Title: Teaching Artist
Reports To: Site Director
Department: Beacon Center for Arts & Leadership at IS 291K
Date Available: August 31, 2015

Summary of Position: Teaching Artists independently plan and teach classes in their respective artistic genre. Teaching artists act as role models for afterschool middle school youth participants; guiding young adults towards personal growth and inspiring them to develop a deeper understanding of artistic mediums that incorporate literacy. This is a unique position that includes full health benefits and a 21-hour work week.

Summary of Program: The Beacon Center for Arts & Leadership program provides afterschool programming for children and teens, and adult evening services during the evenings and weekends. Programming focuses include arts-based literacy education, creative arts, youth leadership, health, and movement-based activities for youth and adults. Program activities build leadership and literacy in the widest sense of the word through creative writing, the visual arts, drama, photography, video, music, yoga, creative movement/dance, and apprenticeships for high school students. The program engages the entire family through monthly family literacy workshops, parent organizing, and comprehensive services available through the agency's other programs.

Summary of the Agency: The Coalition for Hispanic Family Services is a multi-service agency serving children and families of North Brooklyn and Queens. These include foster care, adoption, youth development, primary health care, mental health, HIV/AIDS case management, community health education and outreach, in-service internships and after school education.

The duties of the Teaching Artist are as follows:

- Teach and mentor adolescent youth (6-8 grade) during afterschool, and during some Saturday and Out of School time holiday camps
- Maintain an average daily attendance of 75% in your class.
- Maintain a safe and organized classroom with clear behavior expectations
- Engage students in structured discussions, activities, and provide homework help
- Lead occasional trips during school holidays that involve youth and their families
- Assist youth in understanding various conflict mediation solutions
- Apply a strength-based youth development practice with respect for diversity, involvement and empowerment
- Create three final performances a year for young people to perform
- Work cooperatively with all afterschool community partners in the school facility where we are located
- Mentor and supervise at least one High School aged Apprentice who assists during class. .

Qualifications: Instructors must be nurturing, mature, responsible and fun-loving individuals who love to share their passion with teens between the ages of 12-18. Our program has a deep focus on leadership development and civic engagement. We actively look for instructors who are committed both to their art form as well as to developing society's next generation of leaders. Two years minimum experience working with adolescent youth is required. Excellent knowledge of educational standards, curriculum development, and best practices regarding youth development, Strong interpersonal and group facilitation skills, ability to work in fast paced environment. Ability to work flexible hours including occasional Saturdays and evenings. Must meet performance standards including retention and recruitment of students. Bachelor's and Master's level candidates are encouraged to apply.

To Apply: Submit a resume and cover letter with qualifications to:

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