

Position Available: Notre Dame AmeriCorps Volunteer Nativity Preparatory Academy- Teaching Assistant Rochester, New York

Nativity Preparatory Academy is a Catholic middle school (5th thru 8th grade) established in Rochester, NY. The school is based on the successful education model began in 1971, when a group of Jesuits opened a middle school in the Lower East Side of Manhattan to serve the waves of Dominican and Puerto Rican immigrants settling in the area. The Nativity Mission Center provided their middle school-aged children with an educational program where they could excel academically, socially, and spiritually.

In September 2009, Nativity Preparatory Academy of Rochester welcomed its first students. This unique inner city Catholic Middle School is co-sponsored by McQuaid Jesuit, a college preparatory high school for young men, and the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Rochester. Nativity is a privately funded, co-institutional Catholic school serving over 50 students. A wonderfully diverse school, Nativity welcomes motivated students across multiple ethnic groups and religious traditions; many of our students are refugees. Nativity Preparatory Academy serves, educates, and encourages the whole student as they journey through middle school, high school, and beyond. (Check out www.nativityrochester.org)

We are actively seeking two candidates as Notre Dame AmeriCorps Volunteer- Teaching Assistants. A candidate must possess a commitment to inner city education and be excited about the idea of providing students of all faiths and cultures with a structured, challenging and supportive educational program which seeks to foster their intellectual, moral, and emotional growth. Nativity's primary goal is to guide motivated students to become lifelong learners, who in turn, will contribute productively to their families and to their community.

A Nativity Preparatory Academy- Teaching Assistant will have a wide array of responsibilities at the school, as well as the opportunity to use their strengths and talents to best meet the needs of the school. Responsibilities include and are not limited to, supporting students in classes with supervision from a master teacher, involvement with afternoon tutoring/homework sessions, and coordinating or implementing extracurricular activities during the school's afternoon enrichment program. A Nativity Preparatory Academy- Teaching Assistant serve as advisors, tutors, proctors, mentors, coaches, nurses, janitors, monitors, managers, and much, much more; they are dedicated to promoting each student's well-being with whatever gifts they have.

Qualifications:

- An undergraduate college degree
- Excellent communication and collaborative leadership skills as well as organizational skills
- Having had a variety of personal volunteer experiences
- Likes working with people from many different backgrounds
- Is flexible and is open to new experiences

Compensation:

- A living allowance of \$14,279 is distributed biweekly over the 11-month service period. This comes out to be roughly \$594.00 biweekly before taxes.
- Health insurance coverage
- College loan deferments
- AmeriCorps Education Grant of \$6,195/year (pre-tax figure)
- Optional intentional-community living

For more information and an application contact:

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