

Position: NJ Curriculum and Activity Developer VISTA

Organization: After-School All-Stars New Jersey

Location: Newark, NJ (on-site)

ORGANIZATION BACKGROUND

Founded in 1992, After-School All-Stars (ASAS) is a non-profit organization that provides daily after-school programs at no cost to families to as many as 140,000 youth in over 725 schools and other sites across 19 chapters throughout the USA. Offering comprehensive, school-based programs that combine academic enrichment, career exploration, and health & fitness activities, ASAS empowers scholars, works to close the achievement and opportunity gaps, and prepares young leaders to succeed in both school and life. <u>ASAS New Jersey</u> is serving nearly 2000 students at 19 schools in the City of Newark.

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

ASAS New Jersey is seeking an <u>AmeriCorps VISTA</u> member to support curriculum and enrichment enhancement. The primary goal for the ASAS NJ Curriculum and Activity Developer VISTA is to assist in gathering and developing high-quality hands-on and project-based curricula and activities that promote participants' personal development, academic growth, and overall well-being. The aim is to offer engaging and impactful experiences that inspire curiosity, foster a love for learning, and empower scholars to explore their passions and talents.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITES

The VISTA will work directly with the Director of Programs and the Director of Curriculum & Instruction to support with the development of creative, project-based lessons and activities that align with ASAS NJ core offerings and curriculums and help us to promote positive engagement that fosters a safe & secure environment where staff and scholars thrive.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

ASAS is seeking a self-motivated candidate with excellent communication and organizational skills and a particular interest in the fields of youth development, education, and/or community outreach. A successful candidate will also embody ASAS' core values: entrepreneurial, proactive, transparent, collaborative, and accountable.

- Some college required.
- Formal experience with children in a classroom and/or camp-like setting.
- Ability to communicate effectively and demonstrate sensitivity to others.
- Familiarity and experience with diverse populations, culture competencies, and youth principles are strongly desired. Cultural Connection to Newark/Inner City Youth preferred.
- Car required. Ability to travel between multiple local sites throughout Newark.
- Must clear FBI and BCI checks.
- Must meet <u>AmeriCorps' eligibility criteria</u>: "hold one of the following citizenship or legal residency statuses: US citizen, US National, Lawful Permanent Resident (i.e. Green Card status), and persons legally residing within a state."

Preferred Qualifications

- Lesson Planning
- Facilitation



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- Mentorship
- Classroom Management
- Experience with Children
- Experience with Neurodivergent Youth

BENEFITS

VISTA Members receive the following <u>benefits set by AmeriCorps</u>: a modest annual living allowance of about \$22,800, healthcare benefit, and childcare assistance, if eligible. After successful service year completion, the VISTA Member also receives non-competitive eligibility for federal positions and a choice between a Segal Education Award (valued at approximately \$6,895) or a \$1,800 cash stipend. In addition, After-School All-Stars will also provide a \$100/month grocery stipend.

ASAS is an equal opportunity employer and candidates of diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE ROLE

Please submit an application through the AmeriCorps website; **only applications submitted through this website will be considered**. If you need assistance accessing the application, please email margarita@afterschoolallstars.org and include "NJ VISTA" in the subject line.

LEARN MORE ABOUT AFTER-SCHOOL ALL-STARS

To learn more about ASAS, please visit our website: www.afterschoolallstars.org