

LAYC Career Academy Curriculum Consultant

Overview:

The LAYC Career Academy is seeking an experienced curriculum developer to create a curriculum aligned with the Common Core State Standards that will prepare our target student body of disconnected youth, ages 16-24 to excel on the GED exam (Passing with a 2750 or higher), and to succeed in college, and the job market.

School Description:

The LAYC Career Academy sets high expectations for disconnected youth, 16-24 years of age, by providing a college preparatory GED curriculum and the opportunity to gain college credits before graduation. The school is built upon the central beliefs that:

- All youth can and must obtain either a college degree or industry-recognized credential.
- Students grow by recognizing their own strengths, using them to overcome obstacles, and setting and achieving ambitious academic and career goals.
- Disconnected youth will succeed academically and personally with the help of high-quality, culturally appropriate education and support services.

All graduates will complete a college preparatory curriculum that is aligned to Common Core State Standards and pass the GED exam. Students will also achieve one of three outcomes before graduating: become a Certified Medical Assistant; become an A+ Certified Computer Hardware Technician; or complete six college credits through the Career Academy's partnership with the Community College of the District of Columbia.

Characteristics of Ideal Curriculum Consultant

- Experienced in developing a college preparatory curriculum for low-income urban high school aged students. Please note that the Career Academy is a credit recovery school, where older youth will enter with reading and math levels from 1st-12th grades with the goal of catching up to grade level and completing a high school education.
- Demonstrates a complete understanding of the Common Core State Standards.
- Possesses a comprehensive understanding of the GED exam and strong interest in following proposed changes to the test planned for 2014.
- Knowledge of best practices in curriculum, instruction and assessment.

Responsibilities:

- Prepare a one page curriculum map in the form of a chart with the following columns:
 - Length of Unit
 - Essential Questions
 - GED and Common Core Standards
 - Activities
 - Assessments
 - Texts/Resources

- Curricula maps are needed for the following subjects and equivalent grade levels:
 - Math: 0-3, 4-6
 - Science: 0-3, 4-6
 - Social Studies: 0-3, 4-6
 - Reading: 0-3, 4-6
 - Writing: 0-3, 4-6
 - Curriculum for English Language Learners

Consultants may choose to apply to develop one or more subjects, depending on expertise.

- Complete curriculum map(s) by April 2012
- Collaborate with the Principal and Leader Teacher, who will be hired between February and March 2012.

To apply:

- Please send the following attached to an email to Blair Hewes Blair@layc-dc.org:
 - A cover letter that explains relevant experience, details which subjects the candidate wants to address, and includes an estimated total cost for the work.
 - Resume
 - Sample of work
 - Three references
- Please contact Blair Hewes with any questions about the school or the curriculum:

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