



Servant Leader Intern Position Description

CDF's mission is to ensure every child a Healthy Start, a Head Start, a Fair Start, a Safe Start and a Moral Start in life and successful passage to adulthood with the help of caring families and communities. The CDF Freedom Schools® Austin program is a direct service initiative coordinated nationally by the Children's Defense Fund in partnership with *Welcome Table, Inc.* (a local Austin, Texas non-profit organization) and the East Austin community. It is an educational and cultural enrichment program that provides summer options for children while strengthening family and community involvement.

The mission of *CDF Freedom Schools Austin* program is to boost scholars' motivation to read, generate more positive attitudes toward learning, increase self-esteem and connect the needs of children and families to the resources of their communities. Our program serves children in grades kindergarten through 5th grade for six weeks.

College-age young adults and recent college graduates play a key role in the *CDF Freedom Schools Austin* program in the position of Servant Leader Intern. Each *CDF Freedom Schools Austin* Servant Leader Intern (SLI) serves as the teacher for a maximum of 10 scholars.

Responsibilities

- Demonstrates enthusiasm and a love of learning and reading.
- Serve as a positive role model for all scholars.
- Supervise and maintain the safety of scholars.
- Maintain a professional decorum.
- Set up, manage and break down classroom space according to standards outlined by CDF and the sponsor organization.
- Engage scholars in the Integrated Reading Curriculum and STEAM activities.
- Attend all required Ella Baker Child Policy Training Institute training sessions.
- Work with site staff to ensure that all program components are implemented with fidelity.



Benefits

- Servant Leader Interns (SLIs) have access to further leadership development and networking opportunities geared toward continued direct service and advocacy on behalf of children and families.
- Chance to learn all about the *CDF Freedom Schools* movement and how to make a difference in the lives of the scholars we serve.
- Earn a \$6,120 starting stipend for nine weeks of employment.
- Additionally, college students enrolled in an HBCU in Texas may be eligible for a Henrietta Wells Scholarship.

Qualifications

- Ability to work from June 1st – July 23rd with local training dates at the end of May.
- Must have completed at least one year of college in good academic standing (typical age range is 18-30).
- Ability to motivate others and work as part of an intergenerational team.
- Solid commitment to the success and well-being of children.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Exhibit positive behavior and attitude, modeling a mature and professional demeanor.

We look forward to speaking with you about joining the movement!

For application, please scan QR code or visit
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