



# Wasaidizi Program

## CDF Freedom Schools® Austin's Youth Helpers Program

The Swahili words Wasaidizi (plural) and Msaidizi (singular) translate to assistants and assistant in English. **Youth ages 12 to 18** (rising grades 7th through 12th) are invited to apply to join our Wasaidizi Team, supporting our CDF Freedom Schools® Austin community. Youth who have attended at least one summer of CDF Freedom Schools or who have a shared connection to the program are especially encouraged to apply..

The wasaidizi serve an important role throughout the Freedom Schools community. They help scholars, under the direction of staff, serving as role models for their younger peers. They get valuable hands-on work experience in a meaningful community effort.

As helpers in the program, wasaidizi also receive breakfast, lunch, and snack each day of Freedom Schools, a Freedom Schools T-Shirt, community service credit for school, recommendation letter, safety training, educational enrichment, leadership opportunities, year round Freedom Schools events, books, and other Freedom School swag.

Wasaidizi tasks may include materials moving, classroom set-up, materials preparation, assisting scholars and Servant Leader Interns with classroom activities, reading with scholars, and helping with indoor, outdoor, and field trip fun. If "Something Inside So Strong," Cheers and Chants, IRC, DEAR Time, STEAM, recess, snacks and lunch with scholars are your jam, this may be the role for you.

Wasaidizi must complete:

- Required training and orientation
- At least 8 days of service during Freedom School (8 am to 3 pm, M-F, June 16-July 25)

Questions? Email [hello@welcometableaustin.org](mailto:hello@welcometableaustin.org) or text 512-879-9795.

Complete application [HERE](#) (part 1) by APRIL 10, 2025.