Position: BRIDGE Summer Lead Teacher

Compensation: Unpaid

Hours: 5 hrs. per week minimum

Commitment Period: June 13- August 4, 2022

Location: 2130 Enterprise St SE. Grand Rapids, Mi

Reports to: Program Coordinator

Mission Statement: We support refugees in their journey to become fully participating members of the West Michigan community. We envision a thriving, multicultural West Michigan community where all have an opportunity to pursue a better future!

BRIDGE Summer Lead Teachers work closely with the BRIDGE Summer Program Coordinator and team of supporting volunteers to provide relevant and effective lessons and activities for beginner level refugee students. Lead teachers are responsible for welcoming students in the mornings, leading beginner literacy lessons, being involved with activities, games, snack times, and supporting any needs that arise for program efficiency. Trainings and Evaluation Meetings are required aspects of being a Lead Teacher. Training will take place the week of June 13th (details TBA). The Summer Literacy Program runs from Monday to Thursday, 8:30am-1:00pm, and Lead Teachers are expected to volunteer a minimum of one day a week for the duration of the 8-week program.

Requirements:
- Must be a Michigan Resident, or have temporary residency in Michigan.
- Currently pursuing a Bachelor’s of master’s degree (Education, ESL/TESOL, related field).
- Teaching experience or experience leading groups of children.
- Ability to work with diverse populations.
- Ability to work with children of all ages (K-12).
- Self-motivation to identify and aid students in their educational needs.
- Ability to lead a team of support volunteers.

Key Duties and Responsibilities:
- Commit to volunteering consistently on a weekly basis.
- Lead 10-15 students in a group.
- Providing reading, writing, and speaking direction to students
- Engaging students in learning activities such as games, puzzles, projects, creative assignments, worksheets, or any other appropriate activities
- Work with staff to identify, advocate for, and work on student’s educational needs.
- Report progress and/or issues of concern to team leader and program coordinator
- Demonstrate teamwork and integrity with staff, fellow volunteers, students, and their families.
- Build relationships with students on a weekly basis.
- Ensure a safe and clean learning environment through assisting with after-program clean up.
- Attend required trainings.

If interested, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Fayo Feto at: fayo@refugeeductioncenter.org
Or go to our website (refugeeductioncenter.org) and fill out the volunteer form online.