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S.M.A.R.T. Math Program Volunteer Winter 2019

The LDANR is presently seeking candidates to fill the following position: **S.M.A.R.T. Math Volunteer**

Reports to: Program Instructors and Math Coordinator

Start date: January 29th, 2019

End date: April 4th, 2019

Location: St. Catharines, ON (School TBD)

Time Commitment: 2 hours/week (6:00- 7:00 pm every Tuesday and Thursday for 8 weeks)

*Please note the program will not run during the weeks of February 18th-22nd, 2019 (Brock University reading week) and March 11th-15th, 2019 (march break).

Rate of Pay: Please note this is an **unpaid** position.

Position Summary

The math program volunteer supports the Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region (LDANR)'s math program for children in Grades 4, 5, and 6 who are demonstrating difficulties due to a potential learning disability. The S.M.A.R.T. math program is designed to motivate and help children gain confidence and academic success in math. Through the execution of group activities, the math program volunteer will encourage the participant's active participation as well as reinforce positive attitudes toward mathematics.

Responsibilities

- Works with children who struggle with numeracy skills, providing assistance in areas of math fact fluency, number sense and computation, and math applications (time, shapes, money);
- Works with a group of children in an assigned numeracy station;
- Provides a positive learning environment to invoke self-motivation as they develop math confidence and number processing skills;
- Provide regular positive feedback on the student's progress to instill self-motivation and self-confidence in their academic development;
- Help instructors complete session reports and observation notes after each session as necessary;
- Assist the program instructors where need be.

Mandatory Activities

- Attend meetings as necessary
- Attend training sessions
- Responsible for transportation to and from program locations
- Must fill out time sheets and submit to instructor

Qualifications and Skills Required

Eligible candidates include individuals over 16 years of age who submit and pass an up-to-date **criminal reference check with Vulnerable Sectors Screening.**

- First Aid/CPR is an asset
- Previous experience working with children an asset
- Previous experience working with individuals with Learning Disabilities is an asset
- Drivers' License is an asset

Participants should demonstrate:

- Good verbal and written communication skills
- The ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Patience, reliability, responsibility, and professionalism

Benefits

Will develop skills related to the association:

- Understanding the functions and roles of LDANR
- Identifying and utilizing community resources
- Gaining understanding of the issues and needs of the client
- Increased knowledge of Learning Disabilities and AD(H)D
- Experience working with children

Support Provided

Training for this position will be provided at the orientation/training sessions. In addition, a Program Instructor will be on the premises at all times to assist you as needed; as well the Math Coordinator is available on an ongoing basis to answer questions and provide other support as needed. Volunteers will have full access to our resource library/center for resources, tools, games, etc. that would be useful for the program.

Application Procedure

If interested, please complete a volunteer intake form on our website

<http://ldaniagara.org/get-involved/volunteer-intake-form/>.

This posting will remain open until all volunteer positions have been filled.

Inquiries regarding this position can be directed to:

Emily Glencross, Math Coordinator

Email: mathldan@cogeco.net

Individuals with a disability requiring accommodation during the application and/or the interview process should advise the above contact so arrangements can be made.

We thank all who apply; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls please. For more information about LDANR, please refer to our website www.LDANiagara.org