Service Opportunities

Thank you for your interest in working with the College of Education at Temple University to provide our students with unique opportunities to support our community. Please complete this form to share your proposed project.

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Brief Organizational Background

RSVP of Montgomery County is a multi-service organization, meeting the needs of the community for over 40 years, by creating innovative programs and training volunteers to move these initiatives forward. Visit myfreetutor.org to demo the virtual classroom; access informational and training videos on the website, too.

Range of Services (i.e. tutoring, discrete projects, workshops, research, etc)

My Free Tutor is a STEM eTutoring program which matches online volunteers with high school algebra students in need of support. All current public school students slated to graduate in 2017 or after, must pass the Algebra 1 Pennsylvania Keystone Exams in order to graduate.

Population served: (i.e. demographics, age range, educational level, cultural background, etc.). Please include other relevant information.

My Free Tutor supports struggling math students in under-served /Title One high schools.
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Brief Description of Proposed Activity

Volunteer tutor spends one hour online working one-on-one with a high school student using a shared whiteboard, communicating via a headset, during the school day. Classroom pacing, worksheets, and online textbook will be provided.

Main expectations of student interns (i.e. time commitment, frequency, duration, etc.). Please specify type of students required (undergraduate, graduate, & specific educational discipline if necessary).

To volunteer, the undergraduate or graduate student, or Temple staff member, must pass a qualifying algebra exam and PA criminal history and child abuse background clearances (paid for by RSVP). The tutor volunteers with the same student on a set day and time, one hour per week, during the high school semester. Tutor will spend an additional 30-45 minutes preparing for the session in advance. A substitute tutor may serve as a backup for the tutor if they are able to give advance notice of their absence.

Benefit to Students

One-on-one attention from a tutor.
Ability to work on remedial math skills.
Help with homework, test prep, and test corrections.
Exposure to college students and college graduate role models. Exposure to adults working in STEM careers.
Working virtually allows the student to experience tutoring in a safe, supportive environment.

Benefit to Organization

Helps meet RSVP of Montgomery County’s goals of addressing the needs of under-served communities, and promotes STEM education and advancement.

Service Location

Tutor works remotely with student from home, office or designated area on campus. Student works from school in a designated classroom.

Materials/resources to student interns (i.e. curricula, library, IT, & other community resources)

Classroom pacing and worksheets provided by teacher; Online math textbook and access to training videos provided. Tutor will need access to laptop or PC with Adobe flash player installed; as well as a headset with microphone. No video capability used in My Free Tutor software.

Please send your completed form to Attn. Patricia Lehrman, Special Assistant to the Dean for Strategic Partnerships and Community Affairs, via e-mail: patience@temple.edu or mail to: 266 Ritter Hall, 1301 Cecil B. Moore Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19122. We look forward to working with you!