

2023-2024 DC - Baltimore Service Sites

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Baltimore City Public Schools

Food Education Service Member Track only

Site Description

Baltimore City Public Schools (BCPS) provides an experiential Farm to School (F2S) education program that connects students to nature and food systems. Programmatic offerings currently include farm-based education experiences at Great Kids Farm (GKF), the district's educational farm, and school-based (farm-to-classroom) programs that focus on cooking, nutrition, gardening, and food waste in school buildings throughout Baltimore City. In addition, F2S staff work to support school initiatives centered around food or agriculture, such as school gardens, across the district.

In every grade band, our programs and services focus on three core areas: (1) food education for lifelong healthy habits, (2) nature-based exploration for wholeness and academic enrichment, (3) food system engagement for active citizenship, leadership development, and career skills. Over 77,000 students are currently enrolled in Baltimore City Public Schools. In the 2022 school year, farm to school educators worked directly with over 8,000 students, reaching over 10% of the student body.

BCPS is looking for a service member who has...







- An interest in and enthusiasm for working with elementary school students, learning and teaching about food systems, agriculture & animal husbandry required! Experience working with students preferred, but not required.
- Position requires moderate physical exertion, i.e. standing or walking approximately 90% of work time, being outdoors in all different weather conditions, including very hot and cold weather, lifting and carrying small farm equipment and supplies up to 50 pounds
- Ability to maintain flexibility in a sometimes unpredictable work environment.
- Ability to maintain effective working relationships with others through a willingness to participate in a culture of open and honest communication.
- Must be able to provide own transportation to and from the worksite at Great Kids Farm-6601 Baltimore National Pike, Catonsville, MD 21228
- Performs and promotes all activities in compliance with equal employment and nondiscrimination policies; follows federal laws, state laws, school board's policies and the professional standards

OSSE (Office of the State Superintendent of Education)

School Nutrition Service Member Track only

Site Description

OSSE is the state education agency for the District of Columbia charged with raising the quality of education for all DC residents. OSSE serves as the District's liaison to the U.S. Department of Education and U.S. Department of Agriculture and works closely with the District's public and public charter schools to achieve its key functions.

OSSE's Division of Health and Wellness (H&W) leverages programming, partnerships, policy, and data to remove health barriers to learning so that people of all ages and backgrounds are prepared to succeed in school and in life. Our work is framed by The Whole School Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model which focuses on the child to align the common goals of education leaders and the health sectors to put into action a whole child approach to education.

OSSE is looking for a service member who has...

- Desire to work in an office environment (rather than in a school)
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills







- Knowledge of or eagerness to learn about school meal programs
- Enjoys asking questions and open to feedback
- High social emotional intelligence
- Interest in data collection
- Ability to work independently
- Successful at navigating projects without a predetermined path forward
- Ability to adapt along the way
- Grit and tenacity

FRESHFARM - community-based organization

Food Education Service Member track only

Site Description

FRESHFARM is a nonprofit that promotes sustainable agriculture and improves food access and equity in the Mid-Atlantic region. We operate producer-only farmers markets that provide vital economic opportunities to local farmers and food producers, pioneering food distribution programs that increase food access for low-income communities, and innovative food education that builds healthier communities.

FoodPrints is FRESHFARM's education program. FoodPrints integrates gardening, cooking, and nutrition education into the curriculum through a model of partnerships, standards-based curriculum, cafeteria connections and food access. Our expert educators teach hands-on lessons that get students excited about growing, preparing and enjoying fresh, local whole foods — and bring science, math and social studies to life — with the goal of improving health outcomes of children and families.

FRESHFARM is looking for a service member who...

- Our ideal FoodCorps service member would work closely as an assistant FoodPrints teacher for the first year, and then as a co-teacher or teacher with a mentor for the second year, and then be hired to work as a Lead FoodPrints teacher placed at one of our partner schools here in DC.
- Excellent verbal communication skills and basic computer skills (email, Google suite) are needed to perform this role.







- Experience working with youth in a school setting is preferred but not required. The same goes for gardening, cooking, and teaching -- these skills can be learned over the course of the service term, under the guidance of the Lead FoodPrints Teacher and with additional support as needed.
- Our most successful service members in the past have been flexible, positive, reliable, organized, trustworthy, humble, responsive to verbal and digital communication in a timely manner, and came with an expectation to learn before leading.

EW Stokes Public Charter School - school

Food Education Service Member track only

Site Description

Stokes School's mission is to prepare culturally diverse pre-school and elementary school students in the District of Columbia to be leaders, scholars and responsible global citizens who are committed to social justice. Our school is a language immersion school and we teach children to think, speak, read, write and learn in two language tracks: English and French or English and Spanish. In 2006, in response to a growing nationwide concern over the health of young people, Stokes School implemented a self-designed Wellness Program. The program consists of three parts: Physical Education and Activities; Stokes Kitchen; and Stokes Gardens.

Although our Wellness Program structure has been in place for over a decade, it has grown with the opening of our second campus and will continue to grow for the next several years. We need additional people to support this growing project. Through participation in FoodCorps, service members receive the skills and knowledge needed to support every aspect of Stokes School's wellness program that will, in turn, help to further the health and well-being of our students, staff and broader school community.

EW Stokes is looking for service members who have ...

- Previous experience or work with young children
- Some familiarity with French or Spanish would be helpful because Stokes is a language immersion school







Friendship Public Charter Schools - Armstrong & Woodridge Campuses Food Education Service Member track only

Site Description

The Friendship Armstrong Campus is a diverse community of children and adult learners. Serving scholars from ages 3 through 13, the community provides a range of academic and co-curricular programs to support students' intellectual, social, emotional and physical growth. At the early childhood level, the school offers at Reggio Emilia inspired program in which students engage in play and exploration that emphasizes exploration of the natural world. Friendship Armstrong is also home to an arts program that integrates arts into the core curriculum, including visual and performing arts. The existence of these programs at the site is a testament to the school's belief that students should be engaged in as many ways as possible to ignite their interests and help them discover the unique contributions they can make to the world. The school also houses the Friendship central staff members, including the School Food and Nutrition Services staff members, who support all campuses across the Friendship network.

Friendship Woodridge Campus is located in Northeast Washington, DC of Ward 5. It is extremely diverse in character and history with quiet residential neighborhoods and local shopping streets. Ward 5 is new to high-rise development and industrial uses. Friendship Woodridge sits within the Woodridge community tucked in the neighborhood between Rhode Island and Bladensburg Road. We serve over 500 scholars and families with a diverse student population of Black Non-Hispanic, Hispanic, Pacific Islander, and White Non-Hispanic children. Our scholars live within Ward 5, Ward 7, and Ward 8 communities.

Friendship PCS - Armstrong Campus is looking for service members who are ...

- Creative individuals who are happy to reach out to resources across the organization to help make this the best program possible
- Great with helping us develop routines in order to ensure the program thrives in coming years
- Confident in their knowledge of great strategies for instructional integration







Friendship PCS - Woodridge Campus is looking for service members who have ...

- Organizational and presentation skills
- Experience teaching students age 3-10

Miner Elementary - school

Food Education Service Member track only

Site Description

Miner Elementary School is eager to continue rebuilding and growing its school garden program with the support from FoodCorps. Miner is located at the intersection of the Capitol Hill and Rosedale neighborhoods, and has a garden adjacent to each playground (K-5 and early childhood). Miner's 400 students primarily reside in the neighborhood, including wards 6 and 7, and many experience food and/or housing insecurity. Miner's food education and gardening programs are growing in strength, through rebuilding the garden (following outdoor modernization in 2019), collaboration with the STEM and PE teachers, building comfort and capacity for garden-based and food education in staff, and bringing the broader community in to support and enjoy the spaces.

Miner Elementary is looking for service members who have ...

- Strong gardening knowledge and skills to help re-establish the infrastructure lost during our 2019 outdoor modernization
- Outgoing and positive personality with strong communications skills to build relationships with staff and community members
- Experience with students who engage in challenging behaviors or experience adversity in their home lives







DC Public Schools Food & Nutrition

School Nutrition Service Member track only

Site Description

A FoodCorps member with the DCPS team could support ongoing initiatives to improve and increase student engagement in the meal program. Activities could include:

- Plan and support implementation of opportunities for students across the district to learn about fresh, locally sourced, culturally relevant foods guided by district goals.
- Elevate and engage student voice and choice by participating in our community stakeholder working group called the School Food Collaborative (more below on this effort in the equity section)
- Support efforts to successfully increase participation in meal programs and expand offerings (e.g. breakfast, snack, supper, backpack programs, etc.)
- Work with vendors to support implementation of marketing and promotional tools and resources to inform and engage school staff and families about school meal goals and initiatives
- Participate in district health/wellness/garden committees to advance long-term vision and goals through the school food collaborative and DC Food Policy Council (a city wide mayor supported effort to convene public and private sector stakeholders to address issues surrounding food policy and culture across the city)
- Lead family engagement initiatives to define what nourishing and culturally responsive school meals means to them through School Food Collaborative

DC Public Schools Food & Nutrition Services is looking for service members who have ...

- Positive attitude
- Patient and kind
- Great communicator and listener
- Innovative and creative thinker
- Process Oriented
- Operationally minded
- Excited to work independently
- Passion for K-12 public schools
- Strong knowledge of Microsoft Office 365 suite
- A valid driver's license







DC Bilingual Public Charter School- school

Food Education Service Member track only

Site Description

DC Bilingual Public Charter School is a learning community that ensures high academic achievement for all students in both Spanish and English, develops leadership, and values all cultures. To support this mission, DC Bilingual has a strong Department of Food and Wellness that combines food service with broader holistic wellness efforts. Food Corps' programming has broadened the Department of Food and Wellness' capacity to consistently reach all of the DCB community members, including staff and families, with a diverse range of hands-on educational activities.

The DC Bilingual community is a tight-knit, majority Latinx community. The school is very well-regarded for its bilingual programming, Food and Wellness department, and rigorous academic curriculum. FoodCorps has served at DC Bilingual for the past 5 years, and has a strong presence as a part of the school community. There is a large school garden and full-service commercial kitchen onsite that play large roles in community engagement.

DC Bilingual is looking for service members who are ...

- Native-Spanish speakers
- Friendly and outgoing
- Flexible collaborators
- Good communicators
- Passionate



