



Jumpstart Fullerton Corps Member Position Description



ABOUT JUMPSTART

Jumpstart's mission is to work toward the day every child in America enters school prepared to succeed. To this end, Jumpstart trains and supports college students to serve as part-time Corps members, working individually with young children to build skills crucial to school success. Jumpstart focuses on three program areas: building **School Success** for young children by fostering their early language and literacy, social and initiative skills; encouraging strong **Family Involvement** to help families support children's learning; and training college students to be **Future Teachers** and leaders in early childhood education.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Jumpstart Corps members have the unique opportunity to inspire young children to learn, serve in a local community, work on a team, and build professional skills. All Corps members receive professional-caliber training to help them implement Jumpstart's outcome-based program, promote children's school success, and build family involvement.

RESPONIBILITIES AND EXPECTED TIME COMMITMENT

Corps members complete 300 hours of service during the school year. This intensive commitment will make a substantial impact in the life of a young child. During the school year, Corps members participate in the following activities:

- Serve part-time, 8-12 hours per week, during the school year, including:
 - Jumpstart sessions with team and partner child, 4 hours per week
 - Team planning meetings, 2-3 hours per week
 - 2-6 hours each week in a preschool classroom during the regular school day
 - 2 hours each week of training
- Attend periodic service days, often held on weekends

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Experience working with young children, and/or a desire to learn more about early childhood education
- Ability to build relationships and collaborate with children's families
- Willingness to learn about session implementation and planning
- Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds
- Ability to fulfill a yearlong community service commitment
- Enthusiastic and positive attitude toward helping others
- Ability to work well on a team
- Availability, dependability, and willingness to be flexible
- Maturity and good judgment in relating to Jumpstart peers, partners, and families

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

- Potential to Earn a Work-Study wage during the term of service and/or an AmeriCorps education award (up to \$1250)
- Extensive training in the field of early childhood education
- Unique opportunity to join a national network of individuals serving young children
- Invaluable opportunity to make a difference in the lives of young children

For more information or to apply on-line, visit www.jstart.org.

Jumpstart is an equal opportunity employer, and encourages applications from all individuals regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, or physical ability. All candidates will be evaluated on a merit basis.