

Founded in 1999, Tenacity's mission is to improve the scholastic, character, and physical development of urban youth through a combination of academic instruction and tennis instruction/competition with a focus on life skills. Over the past ten years Tenacity has evolved from its original after-school model to become an active participant in school reform. Tenacity's programs offer a Pathway to Excellence and together serve 5,500 youth annually.

For the upcoming 2012-2013 academic year, Tenacity currently has AmeriCorps positions available in two major programs within our Pathway to Excellence: Tenacity's **Middle School Academy** and Tenacity's **College Prep and Alumni Services**.

Tenacity is looking for energetic, creative, individuals to serve in our **Middle School Academy**, where team members will work with Boston-area middle school students through June. Members will lead literacy groups and tennis activities, as well as have significant leadership responsibilities in a variety of areas such as:

- Mentoring individual students
- Communicating with parents and teachers
- Organizing field trips
- Recruiting volunteers
- Planning family events
- Creating parent/teacher newsletters
- Assisting 8th graders with high school selection

In addition to the openings in our Middle School Academy, there are positions available in our **College Prep and Alumni Services**, where members will be working with graduates of our Middle School Academy who are now in high school and college. AmeriCorps members will play a significant role in keeping alumni connected to Tenacity and on the path to success through regular communication with the alumni, their families, and their schools. They will monitor student progress, and will respond to alumni needs through connecting them to appropriate services, such as SAT test prep and college open houses. AmeriCorps members will also play a significant role in assisting current MSA 8th grade participants and their families with Boston's high school selection process.

In July and August, members serving in the Middle School Academy and College Prep and Alumni Services will finish their year in leadership roles in our **Summer Tennis and Reading Program**.

The ideal candidates will be/have:

- Trustworthy, high energy, high integrity, flexible, organized
- Self direction and initiative
- Experience in youth development and working with children
- Able to work with others in a collaborative team environment
- Proficiency in written communication, Microsoft Word and Excel

- Fluency in other languages (especially Spanish) is a plus
- Tennis experience not required, but appreciation of physical education is also a plus

In return for a year of service you will receive:

- Living Stipend
- Health Insurance (fully paid)
- Education Award (\$5,550) at the end of year of service
- Monthly T Pass

To Apply

Please send cover letter and resume to Nick Lehr, AmeriCorps Program Assistant,
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