



An AmeriCorps Program

Help Children Succeed in School

ROCKLAND COUNTY LITERACY CORPS

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A program of the Rockland County Youth Bureau, Dennis J. Fleming, Executive Director



The County of Rockland
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and in partnership with
Rockland 21st Century Collaborative for Children and Youth and
Rockland School Districts

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home visiting from the United Way of Rockland County

HOW TO APPLY

*Call 845-708-7307 for your application OR
E-mail rcamericorps@co.rockland.ny.us .
Applicants are required to fill out an application, provide
two references and submit to a routine background check.*

Once your application has been reviewed, you will be called for
an interview. About twelve positions are available. If positions
remain open after September 29, we will accept applications
on a rolling basis until they are filled. **Please call to inquire if
you see this notice after 9/29/09.**



LITERACY CORPS APPLICATIONS ARE DUE 9/29/09. CALL 845-708-7307 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

A LITTLE OF YOUR TIME GOES A LONG WAY...

The Rockland County Literacy Corps is a group of versatile, can-do, roll-up-your-sleeves and get-the-job-done kind of people who are enthusiastic about children's literacy and devoted to sharing skills that help children.

The Literacy Corps needs dedicated people willing to commit about 12-15 hours per week, over about one year, to this mission, serving children and their families either in a home-based OR a school-based environment, depending on your preference.



LITERACY CORPS

Members are ...

- passionate about children's literacy
- willing to provide assistance to children, as well as lend support to their families, to help them succeed in school.
- kind, caring and patient. A silly side helps too!
- versatile and have excellent communication, follow through and time-management skills. The ability to self-direct, improvise and draw on the resources around you is important.
- collaborative; members need to work well individually and in a team setting.

Members agree to ...

- devote 450 hours of service throughout one year, beginning in the fall.
- be an active participant in their service assignment.
- attend meetings and events throughout their service year.

Members receive ...

- a \$2,949 living stipend.
- a \$1,250 educational award.
- excellent training and support throughout your service assignment.
- the opportunity to network and collaborate with friendly and talented people dedicated to transforming the lives of children.

The Literacy Corps is a joint effort between Rockland County AmeriCorps (a program of the Rockland County Youth Bureau), Rockland 21C and many collaborating school districts and their Family Resource Centers.

Literacy Corps members are AmeriCorps members and enjoy all the benefits that AmeriCorps members receive including a living stipend and an educational award.

Visit www.americorps.org or www.rocklandgov.com/ameriCorps for more details.

Frequently Asked Questions

What would I be doing?

Literacy Corps members serve as a:

- Parent-Child Home Visitor, working with children and families at their homes or
- Family Resource Center Literacy Assistant, working with children in schools

Sometimes, members function in both capacities

Who decides whether I serve as a Home Visitor or Family Resource Center Literacy Assistant?

Once accepted into the program, the coordinators of the program assess your strengths and specifications and match them with a placement that best fits your qualifications. For both positions, your direct supervisors will be school district staff.

Where are the placements?

Participating districts for 2009-10 are East Ramapo, Ramapo Central, North Rockland, Nyack, Nanuet, and BOCES.

What would my schedule be like?

Schedules have some flexibility, depending on where you are placed. Time-management skills are imperative to successful participation.

- Home Visitors work with school FRC staff to coordinate their schedules with participating families. Usually, hours are spread across about four days per week.
- Family Resource Center Literacy Assistants work within a framework of a school schedule. In some instances there are opportunities to serve in evenings or early morning, before school begins. Each school district has their own unique placements and scheduling requirements.

Both positions require regular check-in meetings at individual sites as well as with the entire Corps.

¿Hablá Español? ¡Excelente!
Bilingual applicants
needed, sign-up today!

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