



VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION: Lego Mentor
Reports to: Education Program Manager

Organization Mission

Belong!'s mission is to demonstrate God's love in action by providing or facilitating access to services that empower and equip the underserved in our community through education, community engagement and other essential services.

Job Summary

Belong! Lego mentors work with small groups of 2-5 students throughout the semester or school year. Mentors develop relationships with students, building confidence in their building skills and perseverance.

This is a new program, but we plan for each session to include a quick warmup building activity and work on a larger project. Students will have opportunities to work together and independently. Lego mentors will be given lessons to follow each week that will outline the challenge the students will complete. Their job will be to guide the students (but not do it for them) and encourage them to work together as a team.

Students are in grades K-6 and nearly all are English language learners. Most are behind grade level in reading and math. Lego club should be an opportunity to build spatial reasoning skills, problem solving strategies, teamwork abilities, and confidence.

Schedule:

Wednesdays from 3:30 – 5:00 pm

Duties and Responsibilities

- Provide coaching and support to the same three to five students each week, giving them opportunities to work independently and as a team but enough help so that they can succeed.
- Show energy and enthusiasm for working with children.
- Come prepared. Read Belong's emails ahead of time so you know what project you will work on with your team that week.
- Be a positive role model by listening and modeling good behavior.
- Help set up and clean up, as needed.

Requirements:

- Strong interest in elementary school students and helping them advance in academics and build confidence.
- Interest in Legos and/or robotics (prior experience is a plus but not required)
- Enjoy working with children.
- Available Wednesdays from 1/4 to 5/24 (except for emergencies), and able to arrive and depart on time.
- Follow our safety and policy procedures, including wearing masks at all times while indoors.
- Minimum age of 14.
- Background check for 18 or older (paid for by Belong or in some cases FCPS).

Benefits:

- Opportunity to interact and build relationships with amazing and diverse elementary school age children and to transform lives.
- Snacks.
- An opportunity to join a passionate community of volunteers who are committed to Vienna and our Northern Virginia community.

Time Commitment:

Wednesdays from 3:30 to 5 pm from 1/4 to 5/24. We ask that volunteers commit for the entire semester.

Evaluation:

Evaluation is a two-way street. We will provide feedback during your experience, and we encourage you to do the same.

Thank you for being a part of our team! We couldn't do it without you.