# VOLUNTEERING WITH Common Denominator

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# INTRODUCTION

You can make a difference!





Looking for a way to give back to your community? Volunteering with Common Denominator is a chance to empower kids, meet like-minded volunteers, and expand your social network. The most common feedback we receive from our volunteers is,

I'm pretty sure I get more out of this than my student does every week. I'm grateful to volunteer with Common Denominator where I can strengthen the city. It's incredibly fulfilling.

Whether you'd like to tutor students in or volunteer other services, we welcome your help. You don't need to be a math genius; we provide training and a detailed math curriculum so you're confident in your abilities.

C/D believes in the power of camaraderie and community. Social events bring together the amazing professionals that make up our powerful volunteer base. We encourage participation to maximize the volunteer experience.

Join us on the journey!

# **VOLUNTEER RESPONSIBILITIES**

C/D volunteers earn required credits through participation in trainings and development sessions. Volunteers may attain further certification by attending additional events.

All volunteers are expected to:

- Attend orientations, training, and development sessions where you will learn about culturally responsive tutoring, our curriculum, operational processes, and teaching methods
- Be a dependable tutor that shows up for students.
- Apply theory
- Learn teaching strategies and tactics to be the best tutor possible
- Commit to check-ins with C/D staff
- Build relationships with students and families
- Participate in C/D events (e.g. Winter Wonderland, Summer Picnic)

# **OPPORTUNITIES**

Our organization utilizes the individual strengths of each volunteer to ensure a fulfilling, meaningful term of engagement. We are always seeking volunteers with an array of skills to support our programming. For example, those with language experience (particularly in Spanish), photography/videography abilities, and graphic design knowledge can contribute greatly to our organization. Our team is happy to create an individualized volunteer experience based on the skills you can bring to C/D.

#### **M.S. STUDENTS ROCK!**

Our students are middle school students – 5th-8th graders.

#### WHAT YOU'LL DO

Our program uses teamwork, games, fast-paced exercises, and real-life examples to help students rapidly improve their math abilities. You'll work with the same students each week, helping to assess their skills and improve in key areas.

#### WHEN AND WHERE

C/D operates a hybrid program, with sites across the city as well as virtually. Tutoring sessions are held at our location sites across the city on the Upper West Side, Lower East Side, and Downtown Brooklyn.

- Saturdays, 10:00am-11:30am and 1:00pm-2:30pm ET
- Wednesdays, 5:00pm-6:30pm ET

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Please submit a volunteer application through the Common Denominator website.

Still have questions? Contact Hannah Stewart, Assistant Program Director, at <u>hannah@cdmath.org</u>. We can't wait to hear from you!

#### Empower Middle School Students to Excel in Math!