

SUMMARY: The Dance Instructor is responsible for instructing children and adults with special needs in the art of dance. Dance Instructor will prepare performance routines for the annual show.

## Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Teach approximately 4-8 dance classes per week using a variety of dance styles and creative movement
- Plan weekly classes as well as modify instruction as needed
- Communicate with families and supervisors weekly regarding student progress and/or challenges after classes or sometimes follow up by phone
- Weekly communication log
- Serve as a mentor to classroom volunteers
- Prepare dance pieces for annual performance for each class from start to finish; including choreography, costuming, music selection, props & teaching students
- Ability to move intermittently throughout the work day, inclusive of sitting, standing and bending, pushing, pulling, or moving objects or students
- Attend Monthly Teachers Meeting
- Collaborate with other instructors when applicable
- Attend fundraising events as able
- Contribute content when applicable; interviews for blogs, social media, tv
- Other duties may be assigned as needed

## Professionalism:

- Demonstrate appropriate communication skills, both verbal and written
- Exhibit reasonably regular and predictable attendance and punctuality
- Demonstrate interest in, proficient understanding of, dedication to and support for the agency mission
- Adhere to the policies set forth in the Employee Handbook

## Qualifications:

- At least 8 years of dance education/training in the last 12 years
- Collegiate Dance education is preferred
- Currently pursuing or possess a college degree in one or more of the following: dance, special education, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, dance therapy, mental health or related fields
- Experience working with children and/or adults with special needs in a job or volunteer capacity; experience with those with autism and those who use wheelchairs preferred
- Availability to work evenings 4:00-9:00
- Able to function with minimal supervision
- Availability to do summer training starting in July 2021
  - \*Interested individuals should send a resume and cover letter to danceabilitywny@gmail.com

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