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**Title:** Chess Instructor

**Location:** The Highbridge Green School, 200 W. 167<sup>th</sup> Street Bronx NY 10452

**Reports to:** Coordinator of Education and Youth Development - Program Director

### **About Us:**

The Women’s Housing and Economic Development Corporation (WHEDco) is a community development organization founded on the radically simple idea that all people deserve healthy, vibrant communities. We build award-winning, sustainable, affordable homes – but our work is not over when our buildings are complete. WHEDco believes that to be successful, affordable housing must be anchored in strong communities that residents can be proud of. WHEDco’s mission is to give the South Bronx access to all the resources that create thriving neighborhoods – from high-quality early education and after-school programs, to fresh, healthy food, cultural programming, and economic opportunity. See [www.whedco.org](http://www.whedco.org) for more information.

### **Job Summary:**

In collaboration with the program director, school principal and other key stakeholders, the chess instructor will lead the planning, development, and implementation of the chess program of the of the WHEDco Extended School Day Program at The Highbridge Green School with special attention to activities that will promote discipline, critical thinking and social competencies.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Design, develop and implement an afterschool chess program for students in grades 6 through 8, offering participants opportunities to develop an interest in and strive for mastery of the art form.
- Teach students the rules and etiquette of chess playing.
- Plan, lead and encourage participation in activities that foster critical thinking and skill development.
- Lead, supervise and provide guidance to program participants in that elective four (4) times per week with an estimated 12 hours per week of combined teaching and planning time.
- Create lesson plan and select necessary supplies.
- Attend all required staff/planning meetings.
- Take on special assignments that pertain to the goals and objectives of the extended day program.
- Encourage and lead projects related to dance that foster academic, cultural and artistic growth.
- Maintain observation and incident logs for group.

### **Qualifications:**

- Minimum of two years' professional experience working with children in a classroom, afterschool, or in a community-based environment leading and organizing activities. Substantial volunteer work will be considered.
- Demonstrated interest in the field of education, child development or literacy preferred.
- Familiarity with literacy and whole language teaching methodology desirable.
- Able to work late afternoons and/or evenings.
- Well- organized, able to work both independently and collaboratively.
- Bilingual (English/Spanish) a plus.
- Current, active college enrollment or college degree preferred.
- Previous work experience in low-income communities preferred.

**Competitive pay rate based on experience. This is a part-time, hourly position.**

**To respond, submit a cover letter and resume to [highbridge@whedco.org](mailto:highbridge@whedco.org).**

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