

Monona Terrace Community and Convention Center Froebel® Block Workshop Facilitator Essential Information and Responsibilities

Mission of the Froebel® Block Program:

Our workshops introduce Dane County elementary students, grades 2-5, to the wooden block system that inspired Frank Lloyd Wright. Through two- and three- dimensional building, students recognize geometric patterns and their relationships to real-life forms in nature and the built environment. The workshop is sometimes paired with a tour of Monona Terrace, and is sometimes a stand-alone program.

Facilitators conduct a 45-minute workshop either at the school or at Monona Terrace. Groups of 2 or 3 facilitators work with classes ranging in size of 14-25 students.

Qualifications for the Facilitator Job:

- Enjoy working directly with students in a coaching, supportive role.
- Exhibit patience and a positive attitude.
- Flexible to adjust to changing circumstances and student aptitude.
- Possess a desire to learn new information and techniques.
- Demonstrate an enthusiasm for architecture and Monona Terrace.
- At least 19 years of age.

Expectations:

- Commit to two years of service, and three dates of workshops per month.
- Complete training and a trial orientation period.
- Be available weekdays during school hours, primarily in our busy seasons of fall and spring.
- Provide your own transportation to the school or to Monona Terrace (directions are provided by staff.)
- Arrive 30 minutes prior to workshop start time for set-up and preparation.
- Act as part of a team of volunteers and staff to provide a pleasant experience for our program participants.
- If you are unable to keep a scheduled commitment, find a substitute to act in your absence and notify the Volunteer Coordinator promptly of the change.

Last by not least...

 Continue to learn- take the initiative to seek out answers to questions by attending training sessions, consulting staff, and familiarizing yourself with current literature about Wright, Froebel® blocks, and Monona Terrace.

Benefits:

- Enrich your knowledge by participating in volunteer continuing education sessions and excursions.
- Meet others who are excited about Monona Terrace and its programs.
- Receive a Monona Terrace volunteer t-shirt.
- Park for free when you are volunteering at Monona Terrace.
- Participate in Monona Terrace-wide events and volunteer social events.
- Enjoy a job that brings variety and something new every day!

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