



## **Middle School Instructors for Peninsula Bridge Monthly 8th Grade Program September 2019-2020**

### **About Peninsula Bridge**

For 25 years, Peninsula Bridge has been serving motivated low-income youth from San Mateo to Mountain View with academic and social-emotional support. Peninsula Bridge transforms the lives of highly motivated, low-income students by preparing and supporting them for success in college preparatory high school programs and four year colleges. Peninsula Bridge is an entrepreneurial organization that is launching newly expanded programs to improve student outcomes. Our after school academic program serves 6th and 7th grade students with by developing a strong cohort of like minded students that come together for homework support, academic enrichment, and hands on learning to foster lifelong learning.

### **Job Description**

The instructors will lead student workshops for 15-20 students per session using the Peninsula Bridge 8th Grade Academy Curriculum. The workshops consist of a balance of STEAM, Social Emotional Learning (SEL), and hands on presentation/study skills activities to promote high school readiness for our 8th grade student cohort. The cohort meets 10 times in the academic year (September-May). All materials and resources will be prepared and provided by Peninsula Bridge. The instructors will be responsible for reading all communications (monthly lesson plans, newsletters, etc) and be well prepared for all sessions. The instructors will lead engaging small and whole group activities in the sessions to develop key academic and social skills. They will also provide a written narrative of an advisory group of students at the conclusion of the program (15-20). There will be 3 instructors and 1 Site Coordinator at the sessions. The Instructors will report to the Middle School Director. In addition to direct teaching, there will be an additional training meeting at the start of program and a debrief meeting at the conclusion of the program.

### **Key Competencies**

- Proven excellence in teaching in a public school or independent school setting.
- Experience in teaching and making lessons relevant and engaging for students.
- Knowledge of and direct practice in teaching and modeling Social Emotional Learning (SEL) skills.
- Excellent communication skills, verbally and in writing.
- Effective student group management skills that incorporate growth mindset and positive behavioral interactions with students.
- Ability to support students and families in a respectful, inclusive, and engaging way.

- Ability to demonstrate cultural sensitivity and a highly developed understanding of youth development skills.
- Adaptable and able to manage multiple objectives at one time. The 8th Grade Academy setting is constantly changing and the ability to be nimble, supportive, and proactive is key for team members.
- Collaborative classroom practices are imperative to the success of Peninsula Bridge as we often incorporate outside visitors, volunteers, etc.
- Effective organization skills, attention to detail.
- Fluency in Spanish desired but not required.
- Ability to operate and teach Google Chromebook Apps for access to curriculum, student reports, collaborative work with students and team members.

**Location:**

Eastside College Preparatory High School  
1041 Myrtle Street  
East Palo Alto

**Program Time:** 8:30 AM-12:30 PM, 1 Saturday/month (Calendar TBD)

**Salary:** This is a position based on hourly pay. Compensation is:

- \$75/hr. for Direct Teaching Hours
- \$35/hr. for Administrative Tasks

**Description:**

- Administrative tasks include training, student feedback, debrief meetings, etc.

**Contact:** Please email resume and cover letter to Amanda Afshar  
amanda@peninsulabridge.org