## **Overview**

We are proud to host a variety of AmeriCorps service roles in our District. Studies have shown that AmeriCorps programs in schools improve outcomes in school readiness, attendance, behavior, reading and math scores, and provide students with increased access to college and careers (source: <u>AmeriCorps Education Fact</u> <u>Sheet (https://americorps.gov/sites/default/files/document/2020AmeriCorps Education fact sheet SE\_508.pdf</u>)). Through serving, AmeriCorps members gain relevant experience in the education field and are eligible for an education award to help pay for college, trade school or repay student loans. Richfield Public Schools is an excellent place to fulfill your AmeriCorps year of service!

# **AmeriCorps Positions in RPS**

READING CORPS

### Sheridan Hills Elementary & Richfield STEM Elementary

Sheridan Hills Elementary hosts two Reading Corps members and Richfield STEM Elementary School hosts three Reading Corps members.

Reading Corps members use evidence-based strategies to support students in Kindergarten through 3rd grade in reading and pre-reading skills.

Members will receive specific training and ongoing support and be integrated into the elementary school community.

#### Details

- Service Start Date: August 26, 2024
- 18-35 hours per week, depending on the position.
- Apply now through the Minnesota Reading Corps (https://www.serveminnesota.org/program/minnesota-reading-corps/) website.

# **R-STEM Contact**

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READING INTERVENTION

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### EARLY LEARNING CORPS

### **Central Education Center**

Our early childhood program located at the Central Education Center hosts three Early Learning Corps members. Members spend their days helping kids ages 3-5 to talk, read, write, sing and play in order to develop early literacy and math skills. With great training and on-site coaching, we'll prepare you to help kids succeed!

#### Details

- Service Start Date: August 26, 2024
- Apply now through the Early Learning Corps (https://www.serveminnesota.org/program/early-learning-corps/) website.
- Want to know more? Contact Jenelle Bullen.

### 2024-25 Early Learning Corps Members



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Students at the Central Education Center made posters to show their appreciation to the Early Learning Corps members who worked with them

during the school year.

### Contact

### JENELLE BULLEN

EARLY CHILDHOOD COORDINATOR

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### IMPROVE YOUR TOMORROW

## **Richfield Middle School**

Richfield Middle School will be hosting two Improve Your Tomorrow (IYT) members this year. IYT places diverse college students in schools to inspire and support young men of color on their journey to and through college. IYT members provide the following services:

- Lead student development workshops, including but not limited to college advising, civic engagement, character education and life skills.
- Assess and develop strategies to support students' academic and emotional needs.
- Collaborate with educators, school staff and community partners to cultivate a vibrant student-driven culture that values resilience,

authenticity and passion.

• Participate in leadership development sessions to hone leadership skills.

#### Details

- Service Start Date: September 3, 2024
- · Learn more on the IYT website (https://www.improveyourtomorrow.org/) and apply online

(https://improveyourtomorrow.bamboohr.com/careers/285).

Have questions? Contact Marquel at marquel@improveyourtomorrow.org (mailto:marquel@improveyourtomorrow.org).

# At Richfield Public Schools:

#### We believe:

- in inspiring our students to grow, adapt and discover their place in the world.
- all children have a right to quality education, high standards, rigorous curriculum and powerful instruction.
- in providing instruction that supports the different ways people learn.
- that valuing our diverse backgrounds, experiences and perspectives fosters unity and empowers all.
- the collective efforts of students, home, school and community form the foundations for excellence.
- that core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility will be modeled, taught and nurtured.
- it is everyone's responsibility to provide a safe, supportive and engaging environment.

#### We will:

- provide a high-quality, competitive educational program.
- accelerate achievement for ALL students.
- engage family and community members as partners.
- ensure an environment where ALL belong.