

Call for Volunteers to serve as Junior Youth Empowerment Teachers City Montessori School (CMS), Lucknow, India

About the JYEP

City Montessori School (CMS) would like to invite you to apply for a period of service at one of its campuses in Lucknow, India (www.cmseducation.org). CMS, with over 49,000 students across 20 campuses, has integrated a programme for the empowerment of junior youth, inspired by the Junior Youth Spiritual Empowerment Programme, into its school curriculum. This is a unique opportunity to empower and nurture the capacities of literally thousands of youth and junior youth who would otherwise not be able to benefit from this kind of education.

Each section of students will have one period a week for moral education classes/junior youth groups that will be facilitated by the volunteer youth. Each section consists of roughly 40-60 students, so the experience will be noticeably different from a typical junior youth group of 15 participants. The main role of the volunteer will be to run junior youth groups within the school timetable. The youth volunteer will also undergo an orientation programme, which will include the study of the Junior Youth Empowerment Program materials and some relevant documents (eg. youth conference materials) as well as some institute materials and Discourse on Social Action.

Requirements

Youth who are planning to serve in CMS for one year need to be in Lucknow by July, and need to be at least 18 years of age when they start their service. Youth volunteers will be expected to come to the city of Lucknow by their own means, and once they arrive in Lucknow (either at the train station or the airport), they will be the guests of City Montessori School. CMS will take care of their accommodation and food requirements, and will offer a modest stipend to cover any additional living expenses. Accommodation will be in the form of an air-conditioned *en suite* hotel-style room shared by two youth of the same gender and similar age. Prior experience of facilitating children's classes and junior youth groups is preferable. In addition, volunteers should be willing to adapt to a new culture and surroundings, handle large class sizes, and most importantly, be willing to learn while serving.

Kindly fill out the application form, which can be found at <http://www.cmseducation.org/jyep/index.htm> and email to jyep@cmseducation.org.