

NSSI Mentor Teacher (Consulting Opportunity)

The Opportunity

Want to virtually teach a small group of kids and develop their critical thinking skills? Want to make a stronger impact across the country? Join our team as a mentor teacher! Your videos will be used to help teachers make instructional growth and improve their teaching toolkits.

What is NSSI?

The National Summer School Initiative (NSSI) was born out of a need to combat devastating learning losses experienced by schools and students across the country during the pandemic. Whether schools are in-person, virtual, or using a hybrid model, NSSI can help teachers bring great teaching to children in grades K-12 everywhere.

In our innovative model, participating teachers create a space where children feel heard, valued, connected, and successful. Our approach to raising the level of instruction across the country is three-pronged. We provide our partners with:

- In-house outstanding curriculum, including daily teacher-facing and student-facing resources
- Corresponding videos of an expert teacher teaching each lesson in the unit
- Aligned professional development focusing on intellectual preparation and student work analysis

Teachers get better faster by observing the best. We believe that by giving teachers daily exposure to excellent curriculum, observing excellent mentor teachers, and providing targeted professional development, teachers across the country will improve rapidly this summer.

We partner with districts, charter schools, and independent schools across the nation to deliver accelerated learning and vibrant enrichment activities during the summer.

The Nitty Gritty

Time Commitment for the NSSI Mentor Teacher: approximately 15 hours per week for 7-8 weeks, which will include filming lessons after the school day ends.

Expectations:

- Deliver 48 high-quality videos that represent excellent daily teaching of a class of 4-6 students
 - Literature: 24 Novel Studies and 24 Close Reading
 - HS Humanities: 24 Close Reading and 24 Writing
 - Math: 24 Problem Solving and 24 Math Foundations
- Engage in deep intellectual preparation for all classes
- Provide excellent feedback to students
- Model an obsession with student work quality and an insistence on deep thinking
- Embrace a growth mindset
- Meet deadlines consistently
- Implement feedback given by NSSI staff and peers
- Communicate proactively with your direct manager to address needs/support
- Engage ALL students in the thinking and learning process

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Detailed Roles and Responsibilities:

<p>Select and onboard 4-6 Showcase students aligned to NSSI expectations by an agreed-upon date.</p>	<p>Ensure the Showcase Studio agreement is signed for each student. Have individual conversations with students and their families to ensure they understand the commitment and expectations.</p> <p>Conduct ongoing conversations with all students so they a) understand all expectations and b) ensure all tech is working and students practice meeting expectations.</p>	
<p>Engage in strong, daily intellectual preparation</p>	<p>Math</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete all math problems in as many ways as possible <input type="checkbox"/> Arrive at a clear mathematical conjecture <input type="checkbox"/> Intentional selection and sequence of student work samples <input type="checkbox"/> Script Assessing and Advancing questions 	<p>Humanities/Literature</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Read and deeply understand all novels/texts <input type="checkbox"/> Mentally spar with student exemplar provided <input type="checkbox"/> Study student work and provide feedback <input type="checkbox"/> Script additional scaffolded questioning based on your students
<p>Create high-quality daily materials for each lesson. These materials are aligned to the look, feel and content of exemplars shared.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare a neat, organized GoogleSlide deck that aids students in the successful completion of the lesson <input type="checkbox"/> Film lessons with strong video and audio quality 	
<p>Teach, record and upload two strong classes a day to Showcase students.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging ALL students in the thinking <input type="checkbox"/> Exude excitement and passion for the content <input type="checkbox"/> Holding students to exemplar responses and work products <input type="checkbox"/> Leveraging moves to have students lead the conversations 	
<p>Collaborate closely with your direct manager and other Mentor Teachers to produce high-quality lessons, implement feedback and provide feedback/support to all team members</p>		
<p>Attend all meetings</p>		

Want to Apply?

For open **literature/humanities** positions, email brittany.leaverton@cadencelearn.org

For open **math** positions, email keri.hubbard@cadencelearn.org

In your email include:

- Your resume
- The role and grade you are interested in
- A teaching artifact, preferably a 10-15 minute video of you teaching
- A paragraph stating why you are interested in the role and working with NSSI

Compensation

This NSSI Mentor Teacher role is a consulting opportunity. The Mentor Teacher will be an independent contractor and be competitively compensated by NSSI's fiscal sponsor upon the successful development and submission of deliverables outlined above. As a seasonal consultant, the Mentor Teacher will not be eligible for benefits.

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Non-Discrimination Statement

NSSI and its fiscal sponsor are equal employment opportunity employers committed to maintaining a non-discriminatory work environment. We do not discriminate against any employee, volunteer, vendor, contractor, or applicant on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, gender, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, arrest record, conviction record, or any other personal characteristic protected by applicable law. This policy covers all programs, services, policies, and procedures, including procurement of services, recruiting, hiring, training, promotion, and administering all personnel actions, such as compensation, benefits, transfers, layoffs, or terminations.