



*Education is the most powerful weapon
you can use to change the world.*
—Nelson Mandela

Dear Applicant –

I am pleased to provide you with information regarding becoming a 2009 Teach with Africa Summer Fellow.

The program is scheduled to begin June 30, 2009 and extend until August 30, 2009. Teach with Africa recognizes that many teachers begin their school year prior to the end date of August 30, so end dates are somewhat flexible although the longer you can commit, the better for collaboration with our South African partners.

Teach with Africa will provide you with round-trip airfare to Cape Town, South Africa as well as housing while you are in South Africa. Last summer, the group cooked communally and shared food expenses; a similar set-up is expected this summer.

The 2009 cohort will include a teaching team consisting of KIPP/Teach with Africa Network Teachers & Dominican University School of Education candidates, a psychology team consisting of Wright Institute Psychology Ph.D. candidates, and a business team consisting of Dominican University Green MBA graduates and/or candidates, as well as a Program Coordinator for all the Fellows.

Teaching Team members can expect their projects to involve direct instruction of students, professional development with teachers, and other tasks related to schools serving township students in the vicinity of Cape Town. While the LEAP School is our host, Fellows' projects may or may not take place at the LEAP School. LEAP will coordinate the placement of Fellows at specific schools based on the skills, interests, and availability of the individuals involved. The work week is Monday through Friday, often with Saturday morning tutoring sessions, but Fellows have the weekends to explore South Africa (last summer they also took one extended weekend to enable travel to regions other than the Western Cape).

Additional information is available per request, though many details remain to be determined before the summer.

The Application consists of two parts: Resume & Letter of Intent. Please send them as separate attachments in Word (*.doc) format.

The resume should include contact information and relevant employment history.

The Letter of Intent (3 page maximum) should address the following questions:

1. What drew you to Teach with Africa and how does this opportunity connect with your life's work?

2. The LEAP School operates under a Code of Conduct (below) and Teach with Africa Fellows are expected to adopt the code while working in South Africa. Please discuss which aspects of the Code of Conduct you think of as your strengths and which aspects you are working to improve both as a person and as an educator.

1. Be Kind
2. Be Honest
3. Be Healthy
4. Be Punctual
5. Look Good
6. Work Hard
7. Never Give Up
8. Admit Mistakes
9. Learn from Mistakes
10. Confront Issues
11. Be Open to Change
12. Work Together
13. Share as much as Possible

3. What dates are you available during the summer? Would you be able to participate in orientation (likely a weekend or two weekends) prior to the trip (with advance notice)?

We are looking forward to receiving your information!

Most sincerely,

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