



Transformational Journey Leader Position Description

Job Title:	Transformational Journey Leader
Time Commitment:	June 6-24, 2023: full days between 8- 14 hours per day
Pay:	\$2,500 stipend
Reports To:	Program Director

Organizational Overview

Cultural Leadership is a nonprofit committed to empowering social change in greater St. Louis through immersive learning, leadership development, and empathy building, rooted in the strengths and oppressions of the Black and Jewish experiences. We do this by developing youth into leaders and changemakers, building cross-cultural understanding through empathy and humility, and welcoming diverse allies and partners. The High School Leadership Program is a year-long experience for high school juniors and sophomores who meet regularly to engage in activities, speakers, and discussions that build cross-cultural understanding and develop leadership skills. Programming includes monthly meetings, three weekend retreats and the 3-week Transformational Journey in the summer.

Position Summary

Each year, Cultural Leadership leads its High School Leadership students on its signature *Transformational Journey* through the East Coast and South where they visit sites and meet with individuals significant to Black and Jewish history and culture as well as social justice movements. This year's trip will take place June 6-24 and include visits to Washington DC, Philadelphia Atlanta, Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma, Jackson, New Orleans, and Little Rock among others. We call this trip the Transformational Journey because it's just that; after having spent six months together learning and building relationships, this experience brings students together in a profound way as they engage in enlightening yet challenging subject matter together. We're looking for Journey Leaders who can support students on this journey, helping to lead a diverse group of 27 teenagers on a 19-day trip while also providing facilitation and logistic support.

Responsibilities

- Supervise and ensure safety of 27 students during all aspects of Trip as part of a team (two other Journey Leaders and Program Director)
- Lead and support facilitation of programming, including leading small and large group discussions and debriefs, creating energy-builder activities, and creating journal prompts
- Work 1-on-1 with students to support them in writing and delivering short speeches about their Trip experiences
- Contribute to supporting trip logistics, including travel, meals, directions, and connecting with speakers and sites
- Maintain excellent communication with Journey Leadership Team and participate in daily leadership meetings to discuss trip logistics and strategies

Qualifications

- Excellent leadership skills, particularly in regard to leading small and large groups
- Excellent written and verbal communication
- Ability to multi-task, problem solve, be flexible, and handle high pressure situations
- Comfort and ability to support high school students
- Strong organizational skills
- Self-starter who can see the need and meet the need with limited direction
- Team-player who looks for ways to contribute and meet the group's given needs
- Criminal and child abuse background checks are required if hired

Education & Knowledge

- Familiarity working with and chaperoning teenagers; bonus Cultural Leadership students
- Experience leading and coordinating programs and trips
- Knowledge of African American and Jewish American history and culture, including Cultural Leadership programming a plus
- B.A. preferred

To Apply

Or for more information, please email your resume, a brief cover letter, and two professional references to Program Director Jeremy Brok at jbrok@culturalleadership.org.

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you might have about the position, the Transformational Journey, and/or Cultural Leadership.