

Service-Learning at Saint Joseph's University

Antonia Pantoja Charter School

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Transportation	Approximate Travel Time by Car: 25 Minutes
Service Times	Monday 12:00-3:00pm Tuesday 8:30am-11:30am Thursday 12:00-3:00pm
Placement Availability	4 Students per Day
Clearances Required	Criminal Records Check, FBI Fingerprints, Child Abuse Clearance, Minors on Campus

Description of Agency/Activities: Pantoja Charter School offers a bilingual, bicultural, academically enrich curriculum that draws from the social, historical experience of the Puerto Rico Puerto Ricans living in the U.S. The academic program is characterized by project based learning, a commitment to community building, critical and high academic standards.

School Leaders are categorized as Instructional Leaders where everything is linked to student learning. All Instructional Staff model life-long learning by means of attending continuous weekly professional development focusing on supporting and developing good teaching and ultimately, improving student achievement.

Student Role in Agency: Students assist in the classroom, providing group work support, individual tutoring or instruction for students ahead or behind the rest of the class, or assistance to the teacher during lessons or activities during the day. Students will primarily be developing relationships with the children in the classrooms where they are placed, focusing not on their academic or behavioral performance in school, but their thoughts, feelings and experiences they share with student volunteers.

Clearances & Requirements: SJU and KenCrest policies require 4 clearances and a Tuberculosis test to volunteer at this placement: Criminal Background, Child Abuse History, FBI Fingerprinting and Minors on Campus Training Video. More information on how to complete these clearances is available at www.sju.edu/servicelearningstudents and at Placement Awareness Training.