



## 2024 Summer Program Academic Lead Teacher

Position: 2024 Summer Program Academic Lead Teacher  
Term: May 28 - July 17, 2024. Meetings and individual prep in April / May.  
Compensation: DOE. Total contract \$4,500 – \$6,000 depending on availability and rate.  
Job Type: Part-time, seasonal, non-exempt, at-will, hourly employee

Orientation, Prep and Post Program: May 28 - 31; July 15-17  
Program Dates: June 3- July 12; Monday – Friday  
Hours: Average 4 – 6.5 hours / day, 4-5 days / week.

**About the Program:** Prescott Circus Theatre’s Circus and Academic program is a six-week, performing arts education and academic program that serves a core group of 25 – 30 OUSD students ages 8 – 17, primarily between 8 – 11 years old. Students work daily with a team of teaching artists, an academic lead, and apprentices to learn and build circus and performance skills, increase literacy and critical thinking, and create an original production. The program culminates in a Family Literacy Day and our annual free community performance series that takes place at the Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts the week of July 8. Program takes place at Prescott Elementary School in West Oakland.

**Academic Lead Position:** The academic leader’s job is to prepare and facilitate the delivery of a 5-week academic curriculum that supports participants’ retention, practice, and advancement of academic skills in the areas of literacy, math, and critical thinking. Academic activities take place in the morning and through small group afternoon rotations and focus on literacy and math skills through project based learning. They encompass approximately 30 - 40 hours of program time during the 5 weeks. The AL will also assist in day to day student engagement during circus training sessions, choice time, and lunch and meals.

**Resources and Supports:** Now in our 25+ summer season, Prescott Circus has a great deal of lesson plans and curriculum templates from which to work. There is no need to “reinvent the wheel,” but we do want your creative spin! You will have the support Prescott Circus’ Summer Director, Program Manager, Executive Director, and teaching artist staff as collaborators to co-create a program that flows with the performing arts curriculum and themes of the summer.

### **Qualifications**

- Demonstrated teaching skills with elementary and/or middle school students
- Experience working in an informal education, afterschool and/or summer programs is a plus
- Ability to collaborate, take initiative, and work independently
- Ability to prioritize student achievement while creating a nurturing environment
- Experience with and interest in working with students of different ages, backgrounds, and skills
- Experience developing and implementing open-ended learning activities for children and youth
- Bachelor’s degree required; degree in Education, Science, Engineering, Design or related field is a plus
- Availability for all weeks. Mandatory orientation, May 28 - 31

- People of color strongly encouraged to apply
- Special preference for individuals who hold or are working towards CA Multiple Subject teaching credential
- CA Drivers License preferred

### **Summer Program Academic Objectives**

- Students will retain and build on learned math facts, reading, and comprehension skills to prepare them for the coming year
- Students will complete creative writing projects for presentation at the Family Literacy Day
- Students develop deeper understanding about cultural connections of circus / performing skills to specific historic, geographic roots (PCT has materials and past curriculum)
- Older youth engage in a self-driven research project that can introduce new information / content to the entire program

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Please submit the following:

- Brief, 1-page, cover letter or email describing your interests and experiences. Please share any past experience with arts integrated learning and how your skills and experience may support our children.
- Resume
- References

Please email these to David Hunt at [dhunt@prescottcircus.org](mailto:dhunt@prescottcircus.org); subject line: Summer Teacher - Your Name

- Applications are welcomed until position filled
- Someone will confirm receipt of your information within 48 hours

Questions? David Hunt: 510-350-7207 or [dhunt@prescottcircus.org](mailto:dhunt@prescottcircus.org)

### **About Prescott Circus**

Prescott Circus Theatre provides safe environments that challenge Oakland children, through circus arts training, to live our core principles of hard work, team work, practice, belief in self, and never give up. Through learning skills like juggling, stilt walking, and performance production, our youth build on life skills and deepen their connections to their communities. We partner with Oakland public schools, professional teaching artists and youth professionals, and other local organizations to provide children with school and community based programs and opportunities to shine. Every day we deliver against our mission by providing equitable, high quality programs that engage youth to develop the confidence and skills to thrive on stage and in life.

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