

PlaySmart, a premiere academic and life skills organization is looking for outstanding high school student-athletes to serve as volunteer staff members at its summer Academy.

## **ABOUT US!**

PlaySmart, Inc. is a national nonprofit organization whose mission is to help underserved kids reach their academic and life goals through sports. Each summer, PlaySmart runs an organized sports and life skills Academy (or camp) for middle school students. As a staff member, you will be responsible for mentoring younger kids, teaching sports, monitoring youth in a group setting, and helping to facilitate workshops and life skills sessions. Training and supervision will be provided before and during your volunteer experience. If you like sports and like volunteering with middle school kids, then the PlaySmart Academy is for you!

## BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING AT THE PLAYSMART ACADEMY

- Earn a TON of community service / servicelearning hours while having fun and making a difference!
- Resumé builder for college, employment and future leadership positions.
- Networking with sports, community and business professionals.
- Excellent hands-on training for use on the court/field, in the community, at school and in life!

## MINIMAL REQUIREMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED A PLAYSMART ACADEMY VOLUNTEER

- Incoming sophomores through seniors only. Recent graduates permitted.
- Must be in good academic standing for the previous school year and must provide a character reference from a teacher, coach or adult mentor (no parents or family members).
- Must be able to commit to the FULL Academy schedule which includes; Monday through Friday 8:30 am – 3:00 pm, a 3 to 4 hour staff training session (dates announced weeks in advance) and a pre-Academy briefing the week before opening day.
- Previous experience working with middle school students in a camp or sports program a plus.
- Must be a go-getter, have good leadership skills, be energetic and passionate about helping young kids, a team player and comfortable working with diverse groups of kids/people.

This is a competitive process as there are limited spots available. Only those who meet all of the above criteria will receive an interview. Interviews do not guarantee selection.

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