SUMMARY: The Dance Instructor is responsible for instructing children and adults with special needs in the art of dance. Dance Instructor will prepare performance routines for the annual show.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Teach approximately 4-8 dance classes per week using a variety of dance styles and creative movement
- Plan weekly classes as well as modify instruction as needed
- Communicate with families and supervisors weekly regarding student progress and/or challenges after classes or sometimes follow up by phone
- Weekly communication log
- Serve as a mentor to classroom volunteers
- Prepare dance pieces for annual performance for each class from start to finish; including choreography, costuming, music selection, props & teaching students
- Ability to move intermittently throughout the work day, inclusive of sitting, standing and bending, pushing, pulling, or moving objects or students
- Attend Monthly Teachers Meeting
- Collaborate with other instructors when applicable
- Attend fundraising events as able
- Contribute content when applicable; interviews for blogs, social media, tv
- Other duties may be assigned as needed

Professionalism:

- Demonstrate appropriate communication skills, both verbal and written
- Exhibit reasonably regular and predictable attendance and punctuality
- Demonstrate interest in, proficient understanding of, dedication to and support for the agency mission
- Adhere to the policies set forth in the Employee Handbook

Qualifications:

- At least 8 years of dance education/training in the last 12 years
- Collegiate Dance education is preferred
- Currently pursuing or possess a college degree in one or more of the following: dance, special education, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, dance therapy, mental health or related fields
• Experience working with children and/or adults with special needs in a job or volunteer capacity; experience with those with autism and those who use wheelchairs preferred
• Availability to work evenings 4:00-9:00
• Able to function with minimal supervision
• Availability to do summer training starting in July 2021

*Interested individuals should send a resume and cover letter to danceabilitywny@gmail.com

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