Service-Learning at Saint Joseph's University

Placement Information

St. Rose of Lima Catholic School

Address: 1522 N. Wanamaker Street Philadelphia, PA 19131

Phone: 215-473-6030

Supervisor: Sister Rita Murphy, Principal

Transportation: Approximate travel time by car: 8-10 minutes

Description of Agency/Activities:
Saint Rose of Lima is a Catholic school serving over 260 students in grades Pre-K through 8. The school has been serving the neighborhood of West Philadelphia for over 80 years. The children being served by Saint Rose of Lima are primarily African-American. The school strives to foster the rich heritage of their student population, while preparing them to be future leaders in the community and in the church.

Student Role in Agency:
SJU students will work as teacher assistants within classrooms and will work specifically on building the children’s skills working on labs and problem solving exercises and activities individually or in groups. Students are placed in each classroom to provide needed to support to teachers, one-on-one attention to students, or assistance setting up or facilitating class and individual activities.

Unique Features of agency:
Saint Rose of Lima is very close to campus and is a neighborhood elementary school. The school seeks to provide the best quality of education to its students but is working to achieve this goal with limited resources. Volunteers will be greatly appreciated and welcomed warmly.

Orientation & Requirements: SJU and St. Rose of Lima School policies require 4 clearances 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.