

CITY YEAR MILWAUKEE

DR. HOWARD FULLER COLLEGIATE ACADEMY

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City Year, how you feelin'?!

My name is Alejandro Huerta and I fiercely serve as the Team Leader for the Dr. Howard Fuller Collegiate Academy school team. Are y'all full? (This is our team cheer 😊)

It has been a fun challenge having a City Year team in this new partnership. It is the first time that City Year Milwaukee is in a charter school, and the HFCA team has been navigating the school year with excellence. This newsletter will let you in on what's been going on at the school and how the team has been keeping up the momentum to finish the fall strong!



*Alejandro Huerta,
Team Leader at HFCA*

In this newsletter you can expect:

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MEET THE TEAM!

Get to know the incredible AmeriCorps members serving at HFCA!

JAZZ

Second-Year
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as a Second-Year ACM in 6th-grade math.
Fun Fact: I am 5'2".
I serve because of my students.

MAREYA

First-Year
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as a First-Year ACM in 7th-grade math.
Fun Fact: I have a younger sister who has the same birthday as me.
I serve because of my own passion for children and serving students who look like me.

LOVE

First-Year
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as a First-Year ACM in 7th grade ELA.
Fun fact: I've never lost an argument I had in my head.
What inspires me to serve is knowing that even small moments can make a significant impact! Whether it's helping a student push through frustration or seeing that light bulb go "bing" when something finally clicks, that's what keeps me going. I'm inspired by the idea that being consistent, patient, loving, and positive can shift outlooks and change lives.

ALEJANDRO

Team Leader
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as team leader.
Fun Fact: love food, cooking, and eating it.
I am inspired by my own potential to grow as a leader and by the people of vastly diverse backgrounds coming together to make a change in the lives of our students.

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CAROLINE

Second-Year
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as a First-Year ACM in 8th-grade ELA.

Fun Fact: I have a dog named Rocky.

All students deserve adults who respect, believe in, and care about them. I seek to serve as a mentor to students and gain skills relevant to working in the education field.

SARON

First-Year
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as a First-Year ACM in 8th-grade math.

Fun fact: My fun fact is that I'm a middle child.

What inspires me to serve is the belief that everyone deserves to have an equitable and meaningful education.

HALIMA

First-Year
AmeriCorps Member

I proudly serve as a First Year ACM in 6th-grade ELA.

Fun Fact: I like pickles and candy put together.

I serve to DISCIPLINE myself to do better.

MUHAMMED

Teaching Fellow

I proudly serve as a teaching Fellow in 11th-grade American Literature.

Fun fact: I have memorized half of the holy Quran.

I serve because education is the bedrock of any society. For a society to grow or decline, it starts with education. I serve because City Year gives me the platform to realize my wish to contribute to my community's education system and to create a sense of shared values that will be helpful for our future leaders.

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

David* has shown tremendous growth this quarter. He initially had a bit of trouble staying engaged in class and listening to instruction; he would often fall asleep and not turn in his work.

As the City Year for Ms. Gray's ELA classroom, I started making more of an effort to check on David. One class period, I sat with him and another student in the back of the class and we conducted a small-group reading of our Unit 1 novel; this was the first time that I had seen David truly come out of his shell and participate in class material.

A few weeks ago, when we conducted a Socratic seminar discussion in class, David raised his hand and contributed to the discussion in front of all of his classmates. In that moment, I was truly proud of David's growth in the classroom and the new initiative he has begun to show. I am excited to see David continue to grow as a scholar!

-First Year AmeriCorps member, Caroline

**Pseudonym used to protect student identity*



PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

I would like to spotlight Mr. Hamilton, the partner teacher of Love! Mr. Hamilton is a new teacher, but he has stepped into the role magnificently. In fact, he took on the mantle of teacher during the school year! It is astounding to see how much he is respected by all students and the presence he has in any room he is in. Mr. Hamilton cares deeply about student success, centering it in his lessons and in his conversations with individual scholars.
-Team Leader, Alejandro

"He (Mr. Hamilton) treats me (Love) like an equal, always valuing my input, respecting my role and making sure we're on one accord for the students"
-First Year AmeriCorps Member, Love

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CURRENT EVENTS



Team Events/Initiatives

- Working on a City Year podcast!

HFCA Major Events

- November 20th - Thanksgiving Feast

PROGRESS TO GOALS

This quarter, a lot of our team's success came from organizing after-school spaces and focus list group formation.

At HFCA, the after-school space is being renovated, so we'll be looking to launch clubs/activities in Quarter 2!

We are proud to share that our team will be supporting students with an offshoot of City Year called "City Year Juniors" which is a leadership opportunity for students who admire and aspire to "be like City Year". In this group we will focus on academic and emotional well-being, and work with students who are outside of our partner classrooms and focus lists!

These milestones show how our daily service is moving us closer to creating meaningful impact in our school community.



HOW TO APPLY

Interested in serving with City Year Milwaukee? Applications for our next corps are open now at www.cityyear.org.

If you know a young person who may be a great fit, please connect them with our Community Partnerships Manager, Ysel, for more information and support.



GET CONNECTED!

Scan this QR code to connect directly with the City Year Milwaukee site for recruitment opportunities, upcoming events, and ways to get involved!

