



## **LEARN Canvasser**

Denver, Colorado

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### **About Denver Families for Public Schools**

At Denver Families for Public Schools (Denver Families) our purpose is clear: to ensure every child in Denver receives a high-quality education that unlocks their full potential. Our primary challenge? Historically, community voices have been sidelined in education policy making, leaving families, teachers, and students out of crucial conversations.

To address this, we invest in community engagement and grassroots organizing, aiming to empower Denverites to shape the future of public education. Our work involves organizing the community, developing future education leaders, and reimagining public education. Through grassroots organizing, and partnerships with education stakeholders, we're working to create lasting change. Our goal is ambitious but vital: to transform Denver's public education system into one that serves every child equitably. Join us as we work towards a future where every student has access to the education they deserve.

### **Role Overview**

As a LEARN Canvasser, you will play a vital role in the execution of our field plan to elevate the conversation around public education in the city of Denver. Reporting to the Program Manager, you will be responsible for conducting door-to-door canvassing activities with the goal of better understanding the public education issues Denver's families care about and learning their vision for the future of public education in Denver. This is a part time position.

### *Responsibilities*

Canvassing:

- Conduct door-to-door canvassing in communities across Denver to elevate the conversation about the future of public education in Denver and encourage the community to become involved in public education advocacy.
- Utilize provided scripts and talking points to effectively communicate program goals, messages, and key issues to individuals.
- Collect data and input information accurately into designated systems or forms, ensuring data integrity
- Follow canvassing protocols and maintain a respectful and empathetic approach when engaging with individuals, recognizing, respecting, and acknowledging

diverse perspectives and backgrounds.

### *Required Qualifications*

- Strong orientation towards educational and racial equity, community empowerment, and commitment to Denver Families's mission
- Strong interpersonal skills, and willingness to develop and maintain relationships with individuals from diverse backgrounds.
- Good sense of humor, and ability to learn and adapt in a fast-paced and non-traditional work environment.
- Reliable and punctual, with the ability to manage time effectively and meet canvassing targets
- Respectful and empathetic approach when engaging with diverse community members.
- Comfortable working with technology
- Access to a reliable transportation, as well as a valid driver's license
- Proficiency in Google Workspace applications, including Gmail, Google Docs, Google Sheets, and Google Slides
- At least 18 years of age
- Please note that this position requires walking on public and private sidewalks, which may not be ADA accessible.

### Preferred Qualifications (Preferred)

- One election cycle or year of organizing experience, or experience within another campaign or organization.
- Fluency in a Denver Public Schools' (DPS) consent decree language, including Spanish, Arabic, Amharic, French, Mandarin, Nepali, Somali, or Vietnamese

## **Compensation**

The base rate for this part-time position is \$31 / hour. The rate for bilingual canvassers who are fluent in Spanish, Arabic, Amharic, French, Mandarin, Nepali, Somali, or Vietnamese is \$36 / hour. Canvassers will be able to work up to 25 hours per week.

Denver Public Schools' parents, caregivers, educators, school staff, and graduates are all strongly encouraged to apply. Applicants must be 18 years or older.

At Denver Families for Public Schools, diversity, equity, and inclusion are at the core of our mission. We believe that diverse teams lead to better solutions. We understand

that a greater depth in lived experiences promotes creative thinking and empowers us to address complex issues. We strive in our hiring to ensure that our candidate pool is diverse in terms of race, age, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic background, physical or mental ability, origin, and religion.