



## **Job Opening: Associate Director of Squash, Brooklyn**

**Job Description:** CitySquash seeks an experienced, motivated and skilled squash coach to help lead all the squash programming for its Brooklyn site. The position provides the unique opportunity to develop competitive junior squash players and change the lives of at-risk youth from Brooklyn while helping to build a youth development program from scratch. Since our founding in 2002, CitySquash has been the most focused of the country's urban squash programs on developing competitive squash players.

**Program Description:** CitySquash ([www.citysquash.org](http://www.citysquash.org)) is a nonprofit youth program based in the Bronx at Fordham University. The organization helps motivated and talented young people from economically disadvantaged households in the Bronx to fulfill their academic, athletic and personal potential. Founded in 2002, CitySquash serves 230 elementary, middle and high school students. For our participants, CitySquash is an intensive, multi day-a-week commitment that lasts up to fourteen years and includes squash, tutoring, mentoring, community service, travel, culture, nutrition, high school placement, employment training and college prep. Forty-nine CitySquash students have won scholarships to selective prep schools, including Avon Old Farms, Berkshire, Blair, Brooks, Canterbury, Eaglebrook, Episcopal, Hackley, Hill, Loomis Chaffee, Mercersburg, Millbrook, Salisbury, St. George's, St. Paul's, Taft, Trinity-Pawling, Westminster and Westover. College acceptances include Bates, Bucknell, Connecticut College, Cornell, CUNY, Franklin & Marshall, Hamilton, Hobart, Middlebury, Mt. Holyoke, St. Lawrence, Trinity and Wesleyan.

In the Winter of 2015, CitySquash opened a second site in Brooklyn based out of the Poly Prep Country Day School.

### **Primary Roles and Responsibilities:**

- Design and lead weekday afternoon and weekend practices for elementary and/or middle school team members, all of who will be new to the sport
- Assist with designing and leading the team tryout and selection process
- Assist with designing and leading weekly activity block, which may include squash, yoga, team building games, etc.
- Chaperone and coach team members at weekend squash tournaments & trips throughout the year
- Organizing training days and mini-camps on school holidays and half-days
- Secure venues at which CitySquash can hold off-site practices and matches on the weekends
- Oversee all equipment and uniform purchasing and distribution; string racquets as needed
- Recruit squash volunteers for the weekends and for the CitySquash Summer Camp in July
- Act as a mentor and role model to our students, by developing relationships with parents and setting up student-parent meetings as needed

### **Qualifications:**

- Bachelors Degree required
- Extensive experience as a squash player and/or coach
- Driver's license required (candidates must be comfortable driving a 15-passenger van/activity bus)
- Desire to work in a start-up environment, going above and beyond the job description as needed
- Must be energetic, upbeat, and enthusiastic about the CitySquash mission

### **Schedule – September through June**

There will be considerable variability in the weekly schedule based on tryouts, tournament schedules, school breaks, and other factors. Over the course of the year, however, you are expected to have a schedule that includes weekend work such as Saturday practice and/or staffing a community service or cultural trip (with days and/or hours off during the week to compensate). A four-week period typically has squash staff working two full weekends and an additional weekend day.

### **Schedule – July & August (5 weeks)**

During the summer (July to mid-Aug), the work day begins at 9:00am and ends at 5:00pm. The Associate Director of Squash will help oversee the CitySquash Summer Camp. For these weeks, you will work Monday-Thursday 9:00am-5:00pm. There is no weekend work when school is not in session from mid-June through August, but it should be noted that some of the overnight trips might fall over the summer.

**Vacation:** The position includes 6 weeks of vacation annually: 1 in Dec, 1 in Feb, 1 in June, 3 in August. Some but not all national holidays are off.

**Compensation:** \$35,000-\$45,000 DOE. Full health insurance coverage.

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