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Board of Trustees Member Vacancy

Seeking exceptional individuals to be a part of the Strategic Leadership

Company Description:

Destination Imagination, Inc. (DI) is a global educational nonprofit 501(c)(3) dedicated to inspiring the next generation of innovators, leaders and creative problem solvers. Destination Imagination believes that when an educational experience is hands-on, collaborative, and fun, students are empowered to take their learning to the next level and are excited to do so. Simply put, Destination Imagination applies a unique pedagogy to bring our educational experiences to life.

DI provides unique educational experiences across seven project-based Challenge types—Technical, Scientific, Engineering, Fine Arts, Improvisational, Service Learning, and Early Learning. New, open-ended Team Challenges are developed annually with the help of educators, subject matter experts, and qualified volunteers, to cover a wide range of student interests and align to current educational standards.

Principles include:

- Ultimate Learner Ownership
- Resource Awareness
- Authentic Self-Expression
- Rapid Ideation & Implementation

This entirely learner-focused methodology empowers students to take the lead and provides a framework within which they can take risks and learn from failure. DI participants become lifelong problem solvers who are inspired to innovate creative solutions to real-world challenges quickly and collaboratively. Problem solving, team building, and a respect for others and their ideas are at the foundation of all of the Challenges.

Business Category:

Educational
International
Nonprofit Organization Management

Board of Trustees Description:

The DI Board of Trustees is composed of leaders from the nonprofit and for-profit sectors who are dedicated to the Organization's mission. As the preeminent educational enrichment resource, DI's Board strives to be a model of governance performance. Serving on DI's Board of Trustees is an extraordinary volunteer opportunity for an individual who is passionate about strengthening leadership and governance in the nonprofit sector.

Our board members champion the importance of exceptional board leadership and believe that each and every organization needs a strong and effective board to fully realize its potential for good. In addition to the standard roles and responsibilities of a board member, our board members are active advocates and ambassadors for the organization and are fully engaged in identifying and securing the financial resources and partnerships necessary for the DI Organization to advance its mission.

Position: Board of Trustees

The Destination Imagination Board of Trustees is seeking candidates to fill vacancies on its Board. The Board is seeking candidates who will help broaden the expertise and experience of the board in order to advance the mission of the organization - *To engage participants in project-based challenges that are designed to build confidence and develop extraordinary creativity, critical thinking, communication, and teamwork skills.*

Job Description:

The Board of Trustees oversees the work of Destination Imagination, Inc. and develops and implements the Destination Imagination strategic plan. Board Members are responsible for the following:

- Attend three face-to-face meetings in July, October, and January (typically on Saturday) and Global Finals (May), which is DI's international culminating event celebrating teams' creativity.
- Attend monthly video teleconferences.
- Serve on at least one standing committee (Development, Governance, Management, Finance).
- Travel, meals, and lodging expenses for face-to-face board meetings are reimbursed (within guidelines) by DI, Inc.
- Contribute meaningfully to the business at hand.
- Use personal and/or professional knowledge in support of DI's programs.
- Assist in the evaluation and coordination of projects and programs of the Board.
- Make a financial contribution to the organization.
- Serve a term of four (4) years with a possible second term.

Job Title: Destination Imagination Board Trustee (2 – 4 positions available)

Desired Skills and Expertise:

We are currently recruiting for candidates with diverse expertise in the area of Development/Fundraising. Experience with the Destination Imagination program is not a requirement.

Development/Fundraising

Duties include: setting annual fundraising goals, identifying avenues for generating revenue, conducting and overseeing implementation of fundraising efforts, and evaluating the success of fundraising efforts. Candidate should understand the various/varied elements of fundraising, to recognize the importance of the relationship between an organization and its potential donors, and to construct and implement a strong fundraising plan/program for DI.

Interested Candidates:

The DI Board is striving to fill these vacancies in time for the July Board Meeting. Interested persons should send a resume or biography, three references, and a short cover letter outlining why you would like to serve on the Destination Imagination Board, what special skills, talents, or resources you bring to the Board, which geographic region you represent, and what you hope to accomplish as a Board member to:

BOTapplications@dihq.org by May 31, 2020.