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SESEC Research Team Opportunity

Background: The Southeast Seattle Education Coalition (SESEC) envisions a world where all students have access to and succeed in high performing public schools and become productive and engaged citizens. Our mission is to rally communities of color and allies to improve Southeast Seattle Schools so that all students succeed and all families are empowered. We pursue this through our All Fives in Five Campaign: bringing all schools in Southeast Seattle up to level 5 status in 5 years. 5 is the Seattle Public Schools’ designation for its highest performing schools.

Job Description
SESEC is designing a convening for fall 2012, which will kick off our All Fives in Five campaign and bring together parents, teachers, administrators and community leaders to develop an action plan to improve schools and opportunities for Southeast Seattle kids. SESEC needs to develop data and showcase research that will drive this convening. Under supervision of the Program Coordinator, SESEC is looking to put together a team of up to five interns who will serve on a team that will research:

- **What we know:** Review existing information as a baseline about who is attending SE Seattle schools and their current experiences/achievement
- **Our strengths:** Review and develop information about current successful programs in schools and in the community
- **Our challenges:** Review and develop information about the challenges faced by schools, teachers, parents, students, CBOs, the District and develop a problem statement
- **Our Goal:** What will it mean to build on our strengths and address our challenges? What do we hope to achieve by reaching All Fives in Five?
- **The outcomes and strategies will achieve our goal:** Identify what currently is being done by all the key players and their results AND what efforts are working in SE schools/other local efforts/nationally. Identify any further strategies that should be employed.

Results will be captured in a draft “Education In Southeast Seattle” Report and used as reference and starting point at the Action Summit for the deeper strategy discussion and action plan development.

Candidates should be passionate about education and social justice, experience in education a plus. This internship will be 10 – 15 hours/week with mandatory weekly team meetings from June through October. The position is unpaid but fulfilling, fun and a great networking opportunity.