**Pajama Program**

**LOCATION:**

HQ & Reading Center

114 E 39th St. Ground Floor

New York, NY 10016

**\*Students must complete a volunteer application and pass a background check prior to service**

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**NATURE AND PURPOSE OF AGENCY:**

Pajama Program is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 2001 that believes that every child, no matter their circumstances, has the inherent right to a loving good night, complete with the comforting bedtime ritual of changing into new, clean pajamas and enjoying an enchanting story. Pajama Program offers at-risk children the unconditional, magical gifts of pajamas and books so that they can enjoy the greatest benefit of a loving bedtime and peaceful good night: a fulfilling good day.

After all, good nights are good days.

**TASKS AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS:**

Reading to children (ages 4-12) one-to-one or in small groups and assisting in folding and preparing pajamas for the children. Pajama program may reach out to see if there are students who have careers in fields that the children are interested in. Students can volunteer by speaking about their career path.

**TIME REQUIREMENTS:**

Each Reading Party is about an hour and ten minutes long (70 minutes).

Reading parties will be from **11 am - 12 pm weekdays.**

**STUDENT AWARENESS/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

To volunteer, each student will need to fill out a volunteer application and pass a background check.

Follow this link for the volunteer form:

<http://pajamaprogram.org/volunteers/volunteer/#volunteerForm>

If not automatically redirected, find the background check at this link: <http://www.coeusglobal.com/council_nynpcc_pajama.html>

Once this has been completed, you will have access to view the reading party calendar:

<http://pajamaprogram.org/volunteers/volunteer-calendar/>

**AGENCY DIRECTIONS**

**By Car:**

Take the Grand Central Pkwy (for 0.7 mi). Follow Grand Central Pkwy to I-495 W, take the Queens Midtown Tunnel to Tunnel Exit in Manhattan (11.5 mi). Drive to E 39th St

(0.3 mi) arrive at 114 E 39th St.

**Via Public Transportation:**

Take QM5 Towards Midtown 57th St. via 6th Ave. Get off at E 34th St. and Park Ave. Walk for about 6 minutes to your destination at 114 E 39th St.

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