

Business Opportunities

Helping Children Can Be Profitable

(NAPSA)—Sometimes, pursuing a dream to benefit others can also be financially rewarding. For example, a few years ago, Giti Tina Zamani was leading a team of engineers for Sun Microsystems. Today, she's helping children build strong math and reading skills as the owner of two after-school learning centers.

"My new career is rewarding. I help children develop confidence, a love of learning and motivation to pursue challenging and advanced work," says Zamani.

The centers are affiliated with the world's largest after-school program—Kumon. Its mission is to unlock the potential of children so they can achieve more on their own.

Doing Well By Doing Good

The centers have shown themselves to be financially rewarding for the majority of franchise owners. *Entrepreneur* magazine recently ranked Kumon the No. 1 tutoring franchise for the ninth consecutive year, and the No. 12 franchise overall in the 2010 Franchise 500 ranking.

"Our franchisees are turning their passion for helping the community into a rewarding career," says Deven Klein, vice president of franchising. "Kumon gives business owners flexibility to still be an active parent while leading a gratifying career helping children excel."

Typically, successful franchise candidates possess:

- Strong communication skills and a belief that all children can study advanced materials independently;



A well-known franchise opportunity is said to offer both financial rewards and the satisfaction of helping children learn how to achieve on their own.

- Strong business acumen;
- A four-year degree from an accredited university or college;
- Proficient math and reading skills through high school-level materials;
- Investment capital of \$50,000 liquidity and a net worth of at least \$150,000.

A Growth Opportunity

"Our centers continue to grow as Americans invest in their children's future," says Klein. "Our low-cost franchise makes it affordable for professionals seeking an entrepreneurial opportunity in education."

The total investment to begin operation of a center ranges from \$36,538 to \$145,250; this includes the \$1,000 franchise fee and \$1,000 materials fee.

To learn more, call Kumon at (866) 633-0740 or visit www.kumon.com/franchise.