

Elevate PreK Assistant Teacher Job Position

Summary of Function

Responsible for supporting the lead teacher in creating a learning environment where four-year-old students are developing through meaningful experiences, play-based learning, and supportive teacher-child relationships.

Qualifications

Qualifications include:

- Some college coursework pertaining to Early Childhood Educational and/ or Child Development
- One-year experience working with young children in center-based early care and educational settings
- Knowledge of developmentally appropriate and culturally responsive teaching practices specific to early childhood
- Possess the ability to multi-task and manage multiple situations effectively
- Strong organizational skills with the ability to maintain multiple classroom responsibilities
- Demonstrates flexibility, adaptability, and openness to new ideas and/or approaches
- Works effectively as a team member (e.g., takes and gives directions) and has strong interpersonal and communication skills (e.g., takes perspective of others, willingness to acknowledge mistakes).
- Ability to supervise before and after care hours prior to the lead teacher's arrival

Values and Characteristics

- Believes and is committed to ensuring that all children have access to world-class education
- Embodies a "growth mindset" willingness to make mistakes to learn and improve teaching practices
- Values diversity and differences among children and families (i.e., culture, race, and ethnicity, economic, gender, sexual orientation, ability, linguistic/ language, national origin, religion).
- Works with urgency and purpose to drive students' outcomes
- Comfortable with ambiguity, change, and is flexible

- Seeks and responds well to feedback, which is shared often and freely across all levels of the organization
- Works through silos and forges strong cross-departmental relationships in order to achieve outcomes
- Sees early childhood education as a profession and models this throughout their work

Upon hire, will be required to:

- Obtain CPR/First Aid certification.
- Complete FUSD New hire trainings, along with trainings for DHS and DES.
- Obtain and maintain a DPS Fingerprint Clearance Card.

Duties and responsibilities

- 1. Provide a safe and high-quality early learning environment that meets the social, emotional, physical and cognitive needs of four-year-old.
- 2. Plan and implement play-based activities and lessons using High Scope and PATHS curriculum in alignment with the Arizona Early Learning Standards, with support from the lead teacher.
- 3. Ensure the classroom environment is culturally responsive and age-appropriate.
- 4. Involve families and community members in classroom activities and lessons.
- 5. Maintain documentation related to child progress, family communication, and overall classroom operations.
- 6. Participate in ongoing professional development and on-site coaching services to improve teaching practices.
- 7. Act as the lead staff member for before and after care activities.
- 8. Foster positive relationships with children, families, colleagues, and community partners.
- 9. Support maintaining all aspects of the classroom program, including maintaining DHS requirements and adhering to the Quality First standards of practice.
- 10. Participate in cooperative and supportive team members of Elevate PreK by engaging in collaborative meetings and by building relationships with other collaborative systems.
- 11. Performs other duties as assigned.