



POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
LEAD TEACHER

Currently accepting applications for full-day teacher positions in the Early Learning Head Start and ECEAP program. This position is responsible for providing comprehensive learning experiences for preschool-age children that will help them develop school readiness skills. To enhance the parent's role as the principal influence on the child's development.

SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, AND ABILITIES:

- Knowledge of age appropriate activities, lesson planning, and stages of child development.
- Ability to provide varied curriculum and rich learning environments that support the diverse cultures and backgrounds of the children and families.
- Competence in curriculum areas: social/emotional, arts, science, music, math & language and literacy.
- Competence in planning, organizing, scheduling, arranging & managing a classroom; documenting and recording information, storing them in a confidential manner.
- Ability to relate and communicate respectfully with children, families, and staff of diverse backgrounds.
- Ability to effectively provide direction, train, and modeling for Teacher Assistants, parents and volunteers.
- Ability to be an active team member in cross-component planning, evaluation, & training opportunities.
- Willing to meet with parents in their home to build relationship, partner in educational planning and goal setting, and to support the parent's engagement in their child's education.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- AA/BA/MA in any field, plus 30 quarter credits in Early Childhood Education or and at least one year experience in a preschool classroom, (ECEAP) OR
- Current Washington State Teaching Certificate with endorsement in ECE or Early Childhood Special Education with experience teaching pre-school age, OR
- A Provisional Hire must complete a Professional Development Plan and has 5 years to complete above requirements, committing to complete 1/5th of requirements each year. Preferred 1 year Head Start or ECEAP preschool experience and 15 credits in ECE.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of a successful criminal history and fingerprinting background check.
- Complete health examination, including TB screening as recommended by health provider.
- Obtain First Aid and Infant/Child CPR card within 90 days of hire and keep current.
- Obtain a Food Handler's permit within 90 days of hire and keep current.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

- Must be willing to work a flexible schedule to meet family need including some evenings.
- Must be able to travel to meetings and home visits in personal vehicle or agency vans.
- Must be willing to assist child(ren) during emergencies and daily activities, and lift/move educational materials and equipment, reaching, & bending, up to 50#, using safe techniques.
- Stand, stoop, kneel, bend, & work with children on the floor for extended periods of time.
- Follow universal precautions when caring for children's hygiene and emergency needs.

COMPENSATION & BENEFIT: \$23.50-32.00 per hour for approximately 1592 hrs/school year, DOE. Excellent benefits for FT staff (30+ hrs): 403b retirement includes agency contribution at 5%, after one year of employment; paid medical, dental, vision, life, & long-term disability for employee.

OPENS: June 22, 2022 **CLOSES:** July 1, 2022 or when filled.

TO APPLY: Qualified applicants download an application at KYFS.org and submit cover letter, resume, and completed application to: Theresa LaRonde, Early Learning Director, Kent Youth & Family Services, 232 Second Ave South, Suite 201, Kent WA 98032, or theresal@pugetsoundhs.org, or fax 253-630-9733.

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