

Preschool Substitute Teacher Job Description

Title: Preschool Substitute Teacher, Mountain Resource Center Preschool

Reports to: Director, Mountain Resource Center Preschool

Status: When needed/Non-exempt

Pay Range: \$19.00/hour

Mission: We engage our community with essential services that empower all people to thrive.

Vision: A community that is healthy, secure, and connected.

Scope: Mountain Resource Center stands as the only nonprofit agency within the Highway 285 corridor, dedicated to offering a comprehensive range of services tailored to low-income residents in need. This agency takes a multi-generation approach, addressing the needs of both individuals and families. Its core programs encompass Community Health, Family Education, Case Management, and a Resale Store, all working in tandem to make a positive impact on the community.

Position Summary: The Substitute Preschool Teacher will provide support in maintaining a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment for your children. This role will involve assisting in the implementation of curriculum activities, ensuring the well-being of each child, and fostering positive relationships with both children and their families. Flexibility, creativity, and a passion for early childhood education are essential for success in this role.

Essential Functions

- Follow lesson plans and guidelines provided by the lead teacher to facilitate engaging learning experiences for children.
- Support activities that promote physical, cognitive, emotional, and social development.
- Encourage active participation and exploration through age-appropriate materials and resources.
- Ensure strict adherence to legal and educational standards to safeguard students' well-being.
- Maintain a safe and clean classroom environment, including organizing materials and ensuring equipment safety.
- Supervise children during indoor and outdoor activities, always ensuring safety and well-being.
- Be prepared to step into various roles withing the classroom as needed, including leading activities, facilitating transitions, and providing individualized support.
- Provide assistance with personal hygiene routines, including toileting, diapering, handwashing, and mealtime supervision.
- Adapt quickly to changes in schedules, routines, or classroom dynamics to maintain continuity and consistency for the children.
- Oversee paraprofessionals to ensure proper execution of their duties and provide mentoring, especially to those with limited experience.

- Complete all mandatory yearly professional development training sessions.
- Maintain accurate records of children's progress, attendance, and incidents.
- Ensure compliance with all state regulations and licensing standards.
- Any other duties as assigned.

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities and Accountabilities

The Substitute Preschool Teacher will demonstrate the following:

- Leadership experience and excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Strict adherence to confidentiality
- Self-motivated with ability to problem-solve and make independent decisions.
- Excellent computer skills, including Microsoft Office Suite.
- Knowledge of Colorado Licensing regulations.
- Love for children and passion for teaching.
- Organization and attention to detail.
- Ability to multi-task, problem solve, and work in a team and independently.
- Willingness to accept feedback and adapt accordingly.
- Flexibility and ability to adapt to changing circumstances.
- Understanding and agreement to follow all policies, procedures & protocols as set forth in the MRC Employee Handbook and other directives.
- Conformance to a drug-free workplace, not be under the influence of alcohol and/or other illicit drugs of abuse.
- No criminal record or child-related offenses
- A professional, positive, and polite attitude and relationship with other MRC employees, volunteers, clients, and customers.
- Proof and maintenance of proper legal authorization to work in the United States
- Completion of state-mandated background checks, including a comprehensive criminal history check and fingerprinting.

Credentials, Experience and Qualifications

- A degree in early childhood education or related field preferred, in accordance with the requirements of the Colorado Department of Education (CDE).
- Level 2 in the Professional Development Information System (PDIS).
- Familiarity with Colorado state regulations and licensing requirements for preschool teachers.
- Paid time for PDIS training needed will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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Mountain Resource Center vows to be anti-racist and foster an environment of mutual respect and acceptance. Mountain Resource Center's values and centers its work on,

Empowering change •Embracing differences •Understanding and challenging systemic inequities •
Achieving equitable outcomes for all communities • Supporting and encouraging personal and professional growth • Cultivating diversity • Valuing individual stories