

POSITION: LEAD TEACHER

Reports To: Program Manager
Program: ECEAP
Status & Salary: Full Time/Non-Exempt/DOE
Date: September 2020

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA WESTERN WASHINGTON is a private, not-for-profit human service agency serving the needs of families, seniors and the disabled in Western Washington. Our successful track record of supporting those we serve and being on the leading edge of new and innovative programs makes us a leader among human service agencies in Western Washington. Come be a part of what we do and make a difference every day!

WE OFFER:

COMPETITIVE SALARY
UP TO 200 PAID TIME OFF HOURS PER YEAR
PAID TRAINING
MEDICAL, VISION & DENTAL BENEFITS
LIFE INSURANCE
403(B) RETIREMENT with employer match after two years
SHORT TERM DISABILITY
EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM and more....

GENERAL FUNCTION:

The lead teacher is directly responsible for the care and education of the preschool children enrolled in his/her classroom. Works on the academic school year calendar. Plans curriculum, designs indoor and outdoor learning environments, observes and assesses children's development, and implements positive guidance strategies.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Associate or higher degree with the equivalent of 30 college quarter credits in Early Childhood Education; OR valid Washington State Teaching Certificate with an endorsement in Early Childhood Education (Pre-K-Grade 3) or Early Childhood Special Education.
- Proficient in spoken and written English and Spanish preferred.
- Proficiency in the use of basic Microsoft Operating System, Office applications (Word, Excel, and Outlook) and Internet Explorer.
- Effective and professional oral and written communication skills.
- Knowledge of age and developmentally appropriate practice.
- Excellent organizational skills.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES:

- Lead the planning and implementation of preschool activities for young children in accordance with ECEAP performance standards and Volunteers of America's policies and procedures. This may be done virtually during times children are not attending in person. This may include Zoom sessions, YouTube videos, family connection materials, and weekly check in times with children and families.
- Observe, record, and assess each child's growth and development for the purpose of planning individualized activities to meet the unique needs and interests of every child enrolled in his/her classroom.
- Provide a safe and healthy learning environment for young children; promoting health, wellness and nutrition through age and developmentally appropriate educational activities.
- Make appropriate child referrals as needed or appropriate; accessing the services of the Volunteers of America Behavioral and Mental Health Consultant in a timely manner.
- Assist parents in increasing their knowledge, understanding, skills and experience surrounding child growth, development and learning; supporting them as their child's first and most influential teacher.

All ECEAP employees are required to obtain the following within 90 days of employment:

- A current infant, child and adult first aid/CPR certification
- HIV/AIDS and Blood-Borne Pathogens training
- Washington State Patrol background check
- Hepatitis B vaccination
- TB test
- Food handler's card

If you wish to apply for this position, please email your cover letter and resume to:

recruiter@voaww.org.

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