Position Title: Early Childhood Assistant Teacher
Reports To: Early Childhood Education Program Director
Status: Full Time (40 hours per week)
Salary: $20.00 TO $25.00 Per Hour

Summary:
Provide a comfortable and secure environment for children to meet their emotional, social, intellectual, and physical needs. Organize and present materials that are age appropriate. Help refugee and immigrant children maintain their home language and culture while learning English and feel emotional and socially comfortable in a preschool setting. Provide information to parents on childcare techniques as needed.

About REWA:
REWA promotes inclusion, independence, personal leadership, and strong communities by providing refugee and immigrant women and their families with culturally and linguistically appropriate services. REWA advocates for social justice, public policy changes and equal access to services while respecting cultural values and the right to self-determination.

Our clients come from more than 70 countries across the globe, including Africa, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East. REWA provides social services to every member of a refugee or immigrant woman’s family, from infant to senior. These services, delivered in more than 50 languages and dialects, are designed to make a long-lasting impact in our clients’ lives and help them thrive in the Puget Sound community.

Responsibilities:
Follow program policies, Performance Standards (ECEAP, Step Ahead & SPP), Early Achievers, NAC (National Accreditation Commission) and Licensing Guidelines

Assist in Conducting program screenings and assessments to children, including ASQ, Learning Stories & Teaching Strategies Gold (document both first and second language development)

Support children daily with developmentally appropriate literacy, numeracy, scientific inquiry, creative and physical opportunities with respect to the learning styles and abilities to meet the needs of all students

Consistently use Teacher and Child interactions and child guidance strategies that maintain a positive social/emotional atmosphere

Assist with the preparation, presentation and cleanup of projects and activities

Help organize activities and materials that are age appropriate and meet the children’s emotional, cultural, social, intellectual and physical needs thru active, play-based, multi-sensory learning experiences.

Be familiar with and implement the components of the High Scope Curriculum and Soy Bilingue Curriculum

Help and participate in initial parent teacher visit and 3 parent-teacher conferences a year

Assist in writing and maintaining accurate incident/illness records, documenting issues and progress of each student

Inspect equipment and materials daily to insure they are safe, clean and in good repair for children’s use, report to Site Coordinator for repair needs

Monitor children at all times (counts, hallway, transitions, and outside; ensuring ratios are always maintained)

Attend training sessions and childcare meetings as required

Serve breakfast, lunch, and snacks; sit down with children and engage in meaningful conversations and model eating following USDA guidelines.

Ability to lift the sand box on a regular basis.

Perform other related duties assigned by Early Childhood Education Program Director and Program Specialist

Complete yearly 20 hours of NAC/ STARS training required by WA state

Maintain Professional Development goal

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:
• A.A. Degree in Early Childhood Education or related field
• One-year paid experience in working with preschoolers
• Must meet federal and state health and safety standards and maintain credentials for childcare (CPR and first aid, HIV, CPS Training, pass TB test)
• Current food handlers permit
• Have clean criminal background check
• Ability to lift a minimum of 45 pounds
• Ability to multi-task while maintaining a sense of humor
• Ability to work flexible hours occasionally

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:
• B.A. degree in Early Childhood Education or related field
• Experience volunteering or working in a multi-cultural environment with various educational backgrounds
• Bicultural/bilingual in Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, French, Omoro, Amharic, Eritrean, Somali, or Tigrinya

BENEFITS:  Medical insurance, dental insurance, life insurance; Long Term Disability; 403(b) retirement savings plan; paid vacation, holidays, and sick leave

TO APPLY:

ReWA is committed to a diverse candidate pool, values and inclusive workforce and workplace environment and wishes to minimize or eliminate the impact of implicit bias during the search and hiring process. Women, minorities, and other underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply.

BACKGROUND CHECKS:
ReWA is committed to providing a safe and secure staff and client environment. Employment at ReWA is contingent upon a successful background check on each new employee. Candidates to whom an offer of employment is made will be required to sign
a Release of Information Form authorizing ReWA to conduct a thorough background check

CLOSING DATE:
Open until filled

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

ReWA is committed to the principle of equal employment opportunity for all qualified individuals. All employment decisions are based on business needs, job requirements and individual qualifications, without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, retaliation, parental status, military service, family or parental status of any other status protected by the laws or regulations in the locations where we operate.