



Teaching Assistant – Preschool

Work where you make a difference in the lives of children for life! High Hopes Development Center equips children, youth, and their families for success through education, therapeutic services, and loving support.

Responsibilities:

- Push into preschool classrooms as needed daily, serving to support a classroom where extra hands may be needed, or the lead or co-teacher is absent or out of the room all day for a short period of time.
- In partnership with the lead teacher and co-teacher, provide for and ensure child safety, care, and well-being in the classroom environment.
- Assist lead teacher and co-teacher in executing age-appropriate, standards-based academic and social emotional lessons for children with and without special needs in an inclusive learning environment.
- Model compassion, empathy, care, and respect for each child through actions and words.
- Provide appropriate physical care for children. Depending on age and need, this may include diapering, feeding, and general physical care.
- Communicate effectively with other adults serving students within the educational environment, including other teachers, co-teachers, therapists, parents, and administrators.
- Provide detailed notes on each child about their day and communicate those with parents via the online app.

Qualifications:

- Prior experience working with children is preferred.

Skills & Abilities:

- Move around and remain upright for long periods.
- Play and interact with children at their level (e.g. on the ground, at a low table, near sleep mats on floor, etc.).
- Lift and carry children (up to 40 pounds) as needed.
- Crouch/lean to clean, change diapers, and move furniture/equipment.
- Respond quickly and calmly to emergencies.
- Open to receiving and implementing feedback from other professionals.
- Collaborative, reflective, and committed to being a lifelong learner.