



- Job Title:** Lead Preschool Teacher
- Reports To:** Early Childhood Education Program Manager
- Location:** Excelsior center, with some participation at Portola as needed
- Compensation:** \$25.50 - \$28.50 per hour, based on experience (equivalent to \$53,040 - \$59,280/ annual), non-exempt, full-time position, excellent benefits package, including medical, dental, vision, chiropractor, acupuncture, vacation and sick leave
- To Apply:** Email your cover letter and resume to jobs@fccenters.org with job title in the subject line.

Position Summary

Family Connections Centers is seeking an experienced lead preschool teacher for a thriving multicultural Family Resource Center with locations in the Portola and Excelsior neighborhoods of San Francisco.

The Lead Preschool Teacher is responsible for leading the Excelsior center preschool program, working closely with their co-teacher, substitutes, trainees, consultants, and families to develop and nurture each child's social, emotional, physical, and cognitive skills necessary for kindergarten readiness. The Lead Preschool Teacher maintains current knowledge of the field, and works within the licensing requirement and staffing ratio.

The Excelsior Pre-K program operates in a newly built classroom equipped with new furniture, toys, materials, and supplies. The classroom is bright and lit by natural sunlight with big open windows and doorways that open up to a beautiful play yard.

Highlights - Essential Functions

Programs – Children, Families, and Safety

- Ensure the curriculum covers a spectrum of learning areas including: Language and Early Literacy, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Fine Arts, Health & Safety, Personal and Social Development and Physical Development
- Ensure program and classroom follows licensing compliance requirements and mandatory assessment standards including ECERs, CLASS, QRIS, and other tools
- Provide oversight of daily operation of the classroom, including overall safety, accident and illness prevention, positive interactions and productive educational activity
- Plan and implement an age-appropriate program which addresses individual, small and large group needs of preschool children including fieldtrips
- Coordinate and provide semi-annual teacher-parent conferences, DRDP-PS, ASQ, and orientation for prospective and incoming families
- Maintain effective relationships and communications with families
- Develop and maintain a positive and confidential relationship with parents/caregivers of every child, including thorough communication about program and child's progress
- Coordinate and provide outreach to community partners and vendors for services, including screenings with nurse consultant and extracurricular program activities
- Follow mandatory reporting requirements for suspicion of child abuse or neglect, and record-keeping of injuries or accidents

Staffing and Supervision

- Model and ensure professional standards of communications within classroom, agency and with community partners/vendors
- Conduct coaching and provide oversight of teachers, substitute teachers, interns, and volunteers, in accordance with agency policies and applicable laws
- Support teachers with their work schedules coordination and scheduling of substitute teachers for work coverage needs



Record Keeping and Other Responsibilities

- Conduct ongoing evaluation, documentation, and observation notes of children to create individualized portfolios and information sharing with parents/caregivers, for referrals, and partnering schools
- Maintain records for each participant/child following licensing, agency and grant requirements
- Creates and distribute monthly program newsletter, calendar, and curriculum
- Monitor, maintain and order necessary inventory within approved budget
- Participate in staff meetings, in-service trainings, consultations, and professional development workshops
- Provide data entry and updating data information in agency and funder databases
- Perform other duties and ad hoc projects as needed or requested by supervisor

Qualifications

- BA with 24 ECE/CD units including core courses (child/human growth & development; child/family/community or child/family relations; and programs/curriculum); 6 units administration; 2 units supervision required
- Site Supervisor Permit or Director Permit required
- Bilingual in English and Cantonese or English and Spanish strongly preferred
- Minimum of 3 years of experience as a preschool teacher, plus minimum of 2 years of experience in a management position supervising staff
- Experience working effectively in diverse, multilingual communities of staff and participants
- Collaborative and self-directed, with the ability to work well in teams and independently
- Confident and respectful classroom management skills and approach
- Excellent verbal, written, and interpersonal communication skills, including listening skills
- Professional ethics of confidentiality, discretion, and good judgment
- Proficiency with full Microsoft suite and experience with database useful
- Experience working in a remote work space, with agility to move from on-site to remote, helpful
- LivesScan Clearance and physical health/TB clearance required to be maintained throughout employment

Work Environment

Safety is top priority at Family Connections. We have thorough disease prevention measures in place, a COVID-19 testing protocol, and vaccine. This job operates in a professional classroom and office environment. This role routinely uses standard office equipment such as computers, phones, photocopiers, filing cabinets and fax machines.

Physical Demands

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk and hear. This position is very active and requires standing, walking, bending, kneeling, stooping, crouching, crawling, and climbing all day. The employee must frequently lift and/or move items over 25 pounds and on occasion may require lifting/carrying a child or object up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus.

Agency Overview

For over 25 years, Family Connections has provided opportunities for families of different backgrounds to work together cooperatively, sharing cultures, values, knowledge, and resources. We help families grow. Please visit us on the web at www.fccenters.org.

Family Connections Centers is an equal opportunity employer and values diversity, inclusion and respect. We welcome and strongly encourage applicants from all backgrounds. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment.