

Child Minder

Summary

The Centre for Family Literacy offers free Literacy classes for adults who wish to improve their literacy skills and participate more fully in our community. In order to support their learning, we are committing to provide engaging and quality child care for their children two hours per week while parents are in class.

Child Minders will provide children ages 0-5 with interactive literacy activities. This could include activities such as crafts, puzzles, songs, rhymes, sharing books and snacks. This position requires volunteers who work well with many different kinds of families with young children, in a fun, informal setting. This is a great opportunity to invest in the lives of families in our community while gaining meaningful experience and free training.

Responsibilities

- Arrive early to set up and greet families as they arrive.
 - Provide safety and care of children while parents are learning.
 - Work closely with another fabulous volunteer to provide engaging, educational and fun activities for 3 - 10 children.
 - Help prepare and/or serve snack.
 - Be aware of group dynamics and be willing to take initiative as needed.
 - Ensure play area is tidy before leaving.
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Skills and Qualifications

- Passion for supporting families and working with children
 - Understanding of the needs and abilities of pre-school children
 - Knowledge of healthy child development
 - Excellent communication and teamwork skills
 - Comfort working in a multicultural setting
 - Satisfactory Police Information Check and Intervention Record Check (we provide)
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Time Commitment

- 3 hours a week, including 2 hours of child minding plus 1/2 hour before and 1/2 hour after for setup, clean up and planning
 - 30 sessions (10 fall, 10 winter, 10 spring) with breaks for holidays
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Benefits

- Receive free training and professional development
- Participate in creating stronger families and communities
- Gain valuable experience in early learning and child care
- Be part of a community of people who are making a difference