



Substitute Preschool Teacher

Are you passionate about having a positive impact on future generations?

The Cooperative Children's Center was organized in 1972 by a group of parents who recognized the need for quality child care for children of University of Washington students who wanted to be more involved in their children's daily care. Over the years, the Co-op has evolved into a fully licensed, professionally staffed childcare center. We base our program on emergent curriculum, positive guidance and actively seek to challenge biases. We are still a private, parent-owned, non-profit organization where parents play a major role in the center and classrooms. Parents participate weekly by either working in the classroom or working outside of the classroom fulfilling other duties such as fund-raising, preparing classroom materials, organizing field trips, etc. Parents also make up the majority of our board, and account for the majority of voting members. Parents vote on budgets, policies, spearhead fund raising, and so much more.

We are located in the U-district, which is very urban. There is never a dull moment around here! There is also a ton of great places for field trips, all within walking distance: the Burke museum, UW campus, city parks, and the public library. Also, if you live close by, you could even bike to work. We have bike racks and you'd be in great company with fellow bikers. We also have parking spaces that you would be able free of charge if you chose not to bike or bus to work. There is no need to move your car, search for a spot or deal with expensive monthly parking fees.

Additionally, we are comprised of a group of individuals that are genuine, laid back; do unto others type of people that love children. We love their stories, we love their families, we (don't) love potty jobs or watching kids eat their boogers, but you know, you can't have everything.

Under the supervision of the Director/Program Supervisor and the classroom lead teacher, the substitute teacher's responsibilities will include, but not be limited to the following:

- Assisting in planning and implementing the daily program under the direction of the lead and associate teachers.
- Assisting classroom staff in any appropriate ways as needed.
- Assuming lead/associate teacher responsibilities for class supervision, if lead and

associate teachers are absent.

- Clearly communicating and consistently enforcing limits designed to:
- Protect the children's physical and psychological safety.
- Encourage respect and sensitivity towards others.
- Develop responsibility for one's own behavior.
- Respect and value individual differences.
- Developing positive relationships with staff, children, and parents.
- Communicating in an honest, straightforward manner.
- Encouraging cooperation and building trust.
- Participate in rotation of weekly classroom emails.
- Ensuring that all information concerning individual children is shared with other program staff in a confidential manner.
- Participating as a voting member of the Co-op and work cooperatively with Co-op members.
- Maintaining a professional and caring attitude when dealing with each child and family.
- Representing the center in a professional manner to the church, prospective parents, visitors and the greater community.
- Help to maintain an orderly, attractive, and safe environment in the classroom, in all play areas, and storage areas.

The person selected for this position must be eighteen (18) years of age or older, possess a high school diploma or GED, have experience working in a childcare center and possess knowledge of basic early childhood development.

The rate of pay for this position is \$15/hour.

Many of our substitutes have moved on to full-time, fully benefited positions at the school!

If you would like additional information about our program, please visit our website: coopchild.org

Please send your resume along with a letter describing why you feel you'd be a great fit for our program (please cover how you relate to children, work ethic and how others view you).

Resumes can be sent to careers@coopchild.org