

# **Assistant Teacher For Early Education**

Homes for the Homeless

Bronx, NY

Assistant Teacher

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### **Job Description**

Homes for the Homeless, Inc is actively seeking an Assistant Teacher for its Early Learn/Child Care Center at a new facility opening in the Soundview neighborhood in the Bronx that will house families with children experiencing homelessness. Qualified candidates will have experience working with high-needs children and be able to thoughtfully and creatively address the needs of the families we serve. The Assistant Teacher will collaborate with the program's director and group teacher on daily lessons and activities. The ideal candidate will demonstrate a passion for active engagement in classroom activities as well as an ability to work well as part of a team. This is an excellent position for a graduate student or early-stage professional interested in working with children aged 2-6 in a uniquely mission-oriented classroom setting.

#### **About Homes for the Homeless:**

Homes for the Homeless, Inc. (HFH) is a non-profit social services organization operating family shelters throughout NYC that serve as a hub of opportunity for families both residing in shelter as well as those in the neighboring community. On-site programs range from childcare, early childhood education centers, afterschool clubs and programs, and youth recreation activities, such as sports teams, to housing assistance, case management, parenting workshops, career and job vocational training, support groups and substance abuse assistance, and family engagement and recreation events for the whole family.

## Responsibilities

Actively create and maintain a child-oriented and literacy-focused atmosphere.

- Ensure developmentally appropriate educational, physical, and hygienic care of the children.
- Interact closely with and supervise children at all times.
- Ensure respectful interactions with children, parents and staff.
- Assist in providing a balance of activities to meet the children's needs.
- Assist in the planning and execution of a program to provide childcare for children.
- Contribute in planning the use of community resources to enrich the educational content of the children's program.
- Assist in the day-to-day maintenance of the center.
- Maintain good housekeeping standards at all times.
- Attend trainings as related to job duties.
- Perform other duties as may be requested.

#### Qualifications

- At least 18 years of age and have a High School Diploma or equivalent.
- Valid level 1 or higher New York State Teaching Assistant certification.
- Early Education Teacher Certification preferred.
- Sensitivity and awareness while working with homeless and vulnerable populations.
- Must be able to pass a multi-stage background investigation which includes employment history and criminal background check.
- Ability to lift 40 or more pounds.
- Ability to sit on the floor, bend down, and pick up children throughout the course of an eighthour shift.

## **Application Instructions**

Please apply online for <u>Assistant Teacher for Early Education</u>

#### **Additional Information**

**COMPENSATION/EEO:** In order to attract and retain a high-performance workforce, Homes for the Homeless offers a dynamic and rewarding work environment, with a focus on ensuring an

appropriate work-life balance. In addition to a competitive salary, we provide excellent benefits including comprehensive health insurance (including medical, dental, and vision), an employee-funded 403(b) retirement plan, commuter benefits, life insurance, Work/Life Assistance Program, 3 weeks paid vacation, and ample personal and sick leave. Homes for the Homeless is committed to promoting an inclusive organizational environment of dignity and respect. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer (EEO) committed to equal treatment, and prohibit any form of discrimination or harassment based on age, race, religion, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, veteran or military status, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth and related medical conditions), gender (including gender identity and gender expression), disability, predisposing genetic characteristics, marital status, arrest or conviction, domestic violence victim status, familial status, or any other basis that would be in violation of any applicable federal, state, or local law.

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