

# Assistant Teacher

FPCNS

New York, NY

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## Job Description

WE ARE The First Presbyterian Church Nursery School. Established in 1952 as a community mission of The First Presbyterian Church of New York, the school currently serves over 100 students aged 2-5 years of age. Pedagogically rooted in play-based instruction the FPCNS curriculum is inspired by the project based emergent philosophy of the Reggio Emilia schools of Italy.

## Responsibilities

This is a 10- month full time position. The ideal candidate will provide support in the following areas: student engagement and interaction, especially through the separation process; classroom observations and documentation; curriculum development; professional dialogue and engagement with families through ongoing communications. Other functions also include, but are not limited to, maintaining student health and safety standards consistently; and contributing to the preparation and care of the classroom environment.

## Qualifications

- Must possess valid NYS certification (B-2 or N-6) or be enrolled in a program that leads to NYS certification
- Bachelors degree in ECE or a related field
- Experience working with young children; professional experience in an Early Childhood classroom

- Documentation to fulfill mandatory DOH requirements

## **Application Instructions**

Interested candidates are encouraged to submit a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference to the attention of Kathleen Cook, Director. All resumes must be submitted to [nsoffice@fpcns.org](mailto:nsoffice@fpcns.org). No paper resumes will be considered. No telephone calls, please. The position will remain open until filled.

## **Additional Information**

- Experience and enthusiasm in working with 3 and 4-year-old children
- Experience in guiding young children through the separation process
- Strong collaboration skills to assist in organizing, developing, and implementing an emergent, play based Reggio Emilia inspired educational program
- Strong communication skills and the ability to contribute to verbal and written observations of young children
- Experience with technology including, but not limited to, G Suite, Microsoft Office, iMovie Quicktime, Instagram and/or Brightwheel
- Warm, nurturing demeanor with an ability to connect with young children and their families
- Flexibility and a positive and collaborative professional disposition
- Willingness to participate in ongoing professional development