

Head Preschool Teacher

The Rinx First Steps Daycare

Hauppauge, NY 11788

Teacher

Full-time

Onsite

\$18.00 - \$19.00 an hour*

* Paid Vacation and sick days, Paid Holidays

Posted on August 26, 2026

Organization Statement

We are a caring and inclusive daycare dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing and playful environment where children, families and staff feel supported and valued.

Job Description

We're looking for a caring, energetic Preschool Teacher to join our warm and welcoming team! We are a **small, play-based daycare with five classrooms serving children from 6 weeks to 5 years old**. One of the things that makes our center special is that everyone knows everyone—our staff know all of our children and families, creating a close-knit, family-like environment.

Our ideal teacher is nurturing, creative, patient, and passionate about helping young children learn and grow through play, exploration, and meaningful connections.

Responsibilities

- Create a warm, nurturing, and engaging classroom environment.
- Plan and lead age-appropriate, play-based activities that encourage learning and development.
- Support children's social, emotional, physical, and cognitive growth.
- Maintain a safe, clean, and organized classroom.
- Build positive relationships with children and their families.
- Communicate regularly with parents about their child's day, development, and accomplishments.

- Observe children and help support their individual needs and interests.
- Follow daily routines, schedules, and center policies.
- Work cooperatively with other teachers and staff across all classrooms.
- Assist with meals, diapering/toileting, nap time, and other daily care needs.
- Maintain accurate classroom and child-related records as needed.
- Participate in center activities, events, and professional development.
- Help create the close-knit, family-like atmosphere that makes our center special.

Qualifications

Option 1

Associate's degree in Early Childhood, Child Development, or related field

No additional experience required

Option 2

CDA or other OCFS-recognized preschool credential

1 year caring for children

Option 3

9 college credits + approved plan of study toward CDA, recognized credential, or Associate's degree

2 years caring for children

- **Minimum Education Level:** CDA Credential
- **Preferred Education Level:** Associate's Degree

Application Instructions

Please email your resume and cover letter to Devin Linden at DevinL@gmail.com

Interview appointments are in person Monday - Friday with time slots between...

9:45am to 11:30 am

and again from 3:00pm to 5:00pm

Language Requirements

English

Additional Information

Employee Benefits

We are proud to offer our staff members a variety of benefits and opportunities designed to support their well-being, professional growth, and work-life balance.

- **Paid Vacation Time**
- **Paid Holidays**
- **Paid Sick Days**
- **Employee Discounts for Events at The Rinx**
- **Paid CPR & First Aid Training**
- **Professional Development Opportunities**
- **Opportunities to Work Toward Additional Credentials or Educational Qualifications**
- **OCFS-Approved Training Opportunities**
- **Opportunities for Career Growth and Advancement**
- **Staff Appreciation Events and Recognition**

We value the dedication and hard work of our staff and are committed to providing benefits and opportunities that help our employees grow both personally and professionally.