

CHILD DEVELOPMENT APPRENTICE

Under direction, assists the Preschool Teacher and/or instructional assistant in providing instruction and supervision to preschool children.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES

- assists the teacher and/or instructional assistant in supervision and instruction of preschool children, three to five years of age
- assists the teacher and/or instructional assistant in developing the social, language, and academic skills of preschool children, three to five years of age
- develops professional competence through the development of and completion of a yearly plan of District-directed/self selected professional growth activities and defined professional growth courses leading to an Associate Teacher permit or higher certification
- assists the teacher and/or instructional assistant in maintaining a safe and sanitary room/playground environment
- assists the teacher and/or instructional assistant in maintaining records, journals, reports or other necessary records pertaining to the preschool program
- assists students with toileting and other physiological needs as necessary

WORK ENVIRONMENT

Child development classroom, playground, parking lot, library, kitchen, and cafeteria areas; field trips to various locations.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The physical requirements listed below are examples of the physical activities that persons within this position must perform in carrying out essential job functions.

- will frequently exert 20-30 pounds of force to lift, carry, push, or pull objects
- will sit or stand for extended periods of time; may occasionally be required to run for brief distances
- must be capable of bending at the waist, kneeling, crouching, twisting, reaching above shoulder level
- must possess the ability to perceive the nature of sound and speak to exchange information in person or over the telephone
- must possess visual acuity and depth perception
- must possess the dexterity to handle various objects and materials and to use office equipment

Reasonable accommodation may be made to enable a person with a disability to perform the essential functions of the job.

HAZARDS

Communicable diseases; possible contact with blood and/or other body fluids

RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS/QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and interested in pursuing qualifications for a Child Development Associate Teacher Permit or a higher certification; must possess the ability to read at 12th grade level and the ability to comprehend and follow oral and written directions; must be able to communicate in English.

EDUCATION: Verification of a High School diploma, a GED certificate, or a higher degree.*

LICENSE REQUIREMENT: Verification of a valid Pediatric CPR certificate, Pediatric First Aid certificate and a TB clearance.

NOTE: With the approval of the Director of Child Development, Rialto Unified School District Child Development apprentices will undertake a plan of professional growth activities which will culminate in the employee being qualified for a California Child Development Associate Teacher Permit (12 semester units) or a higher certification.

This position is meant to be a training/exposure position and an entry into a career ladder program in early childhood education.