DAYCARE AND PRESCHOOL LEAD TEACHER

Location: Bright Futures Daycare and Preschool

Position: Full Time, 40 hours/week; flexibility in hours may be necessary

Travel: Some local travel may be required

As a team member of Muskegon Rescue Mission, we implement and live out our mission of demonstrating and proclaiming God's love to the less fortunate and homeless people in West Michigan. We do this by caring for and loving the individual as Christ would.

Are you the right person?
Muskegon Rescue Mission is looking for a Daycare and Preschool Lead Teacher to join our early childhood team. Candidates should be passionate about leading children to the Lord and providing them with experiences that help them gain skills to succeed in life. In this position you would develop educational faith based lessons and oversee activities that incorporate social, emotional and developmental learning. You would provide structure and guidance for the children, aide, and volunteers in your room, working as a team-player. It is essential to maintain a clean, safe, nurturing, and supportive environment for all at the center.

You Love Working with Children
You are committed to serving children and families in need. Ability to understand, enjoy and be comfortable engaging with children of all ages.

You're Compassionate
You are able to feel and express sympathy and empathy for children and families to overcome difficult situations. Ability to work with a culturally diverse guest population.

You're a Great Communicator
You are able to communicate effectively with families, volunteers, co-workers and children. Establish appropriate boundaries.

You're Detail Oriented
You will plan and oversee schedules and activities for the children. You have great organizational skills and are able to multitask. You never skip a beat and you are in tune with all the minor details.

Responsible For:

- Sharing your faith in Jesus Christ and praying with families, volunteers, coworkers and children as opportunities arise.
- Providing physical, emotional and spiritual care for children, including correction and instruction.
- Preparing and implementing Christ-centered, research-based curriculum and activities for children newborn through age 12.
- Record information through assessments and observations of children
- Engage children and encourage learning through play
- Communicate with parents on a regular basis about child progress and parent conferences
- Notify the director about potential issues and concerns
- Ensuring the cleanliness and orderliness of all assigned facilities and equipment
- Serve planned meals and snacks to children
- Any other tasks assigned

Required Knowledge and Skills

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Be at least 19 years of age
- Must be able to pass drug screen, background check and fingerprinting
- Must have educational background in early childhood development and experience working with children to meet state requirements
- First Aid/ CPR certification current or can obtain within 90 days of hire
- Up to date TB vaccination within the last 12 months