

# **POSITION: TODDLER TEACHER/ MONTESSORI GUIDE**

**Reports to:** Director/Head of School

FLSA Classification: Non-Exempt, Full-Time

## **Summary of Position:**

Serves as the lead teacher and key educational instructor for the Montessori Toddler program. Work collaboratively with all Starling Montessori School Staff to deliver safe and high-standard Montessori education to students.

# **Qualifications/Prior Experience:**

- 1. AMI or AMS Diploma, or (in training).
- 2. Bachelor's Degree (or)
  - A. Associates Degree in Early Childhood education or closely related field
  - B. Completion of at least 60 credit hours or associates degree (or higher) in any subject area with at least 12 credit hours in early childhood education.
  - C. Enrollment in a degree program provided that the teacher holds a Child Development Associate (CDA) and earns an associate degree (or higher) within four years of their initial date of hire as a teacher at a child development center.
- 3. Supervised experience working with children in a Montessori Environment or other childcare center.
- 4. Understanding of and adherence to applicable laws, codes, policies, regulations and safety practices and procedures.
- 5. Must successfully establish employment eligibility and successfully complete background checks.
- 6. Competency with computer skills, including, but not limited to: record keeping software, composing emails, data entry, printing, and use of computer programs including Microsoft Word.

## **Essential Job Functions**

#### Reporting

• Reports directly to the Director on all things related to the Teacher's primary job duties.

### **Primary Duties & Responsibilities**

- Serves as the lead teacher and educational guide for the Toddler Program.
- Prepares and presents Montessori lessons and activities to students.
- Ensures the environment, lessons and activities are prepared prior to the arrival of students
- Redirects children appropriately and stops inappropriate behaviors.
- Keeps up to date and detailed records of student lessons, activities, observations, & development. Uses school record tracking Application/software.

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- Prepares bi-annual conference reports and conducts parent teacher conferences.
- Communicates effectively and regularly with families and parents about their child's development.
- Objectively and regularly observes the child
- Gives Grace and Courtesy lessons
- Participates in Parent Education events and School events to support the mission of the school.

# **General Responsibilities**

- Take good care of yourself in order to maintain a positive attitude and good energy in working with children.
- Maintain a positive attitude and good energy while working with children.
- On time arrival daily
- Present a professional appearance and behave professionally at all times
- Respects the Child
- Communicates effectively and regularly with staff and collogues in support of the school's mission.
- Material Making and Printing (may include
- Communicates and delegates effectively to classroom assistant(s) as necessary for
- Maintaining adult to child ratios at all times
- Supervision of children throughout the school day.
- Maintaining the safety and well-being of all children
- Assist with arrival and dismissal of students
- Assist children with set up and cleanup of snack daily
- Accompany children to and from the bathroom
- Assist children with toilet learning
- Assist Children with bathroom accidents
- Assist children with changing and personal items
- Supervises children on trips away from school to local playgrounds.
- Light cleaning to include but not limited to: washing dishes, sweeping, dusting, moping
- Keep the room aesthetically pleasing.
- Making materials and repairing them (may include but not limited to: printing, cutting, coloring, laminating, etc.)
- Avoids negative talk and gossip about children, parents, staff.
- Other duties assigned by administration

### **Ongoing Training, Education, & Certifications:**

- 1. CPR & First Aid, infants & Children
- 2. Medication administration
- 3. Child abuse and neglect prevention and detection
- 4. Emergency Response planning

Starling Montessori School can help schedule annual recertifications & initial training courses required by OSSE.

# **Physical Requirements and Work Environment**

- Occasionally lift classroom supplies/equipment weighing up to 30lbs
- Ability to sit, stand, bend, stoop, reach for extended periods of time, daily.
- Works in standard classroom conditions and climates, as well as in the hallway, while supervising children.
- Works outdoors supervision children at arrival ,dismissal and on playground.

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- Must be prepare for daily outdoor activities in all weathers climates, (ra	ain, sun, cold,
heat, etc.)	

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