

**CENTRAL CONNECTICUT COAST YMCA
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Preschool Lead Teacher I-School Readiness

The Bridgeport branch of the Central Connecticut Coast YMCA seeks an experienced Lead Teacher for its preschool readiness program at the Kolbe Education Center. The **Preschool Lead Teacher I** is responsible for direct leadership of a school readiness classroom including but not limited to implementation of the curriculum; adaptations to curriculum to meet student needs; student observations, developmental assessments and reports; supervision of assigned teachers and/or aides; and parent communication. He/she must ensure a warm, nurturing, safe and loving environment, where self-concepts are enhanced, independence encouraged, and individuality respected. He/she is also responsible for providing a program that fosters children's social, physical, spiritual and mental growth.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Associate's degree in Early Childhood Education from an approved program or an Associate's degree in another field plus the Early Childhood Teacher Credential (ECTC) with the age group with which incumbent will be working plus credits towards a bachelor's degree.
2. At least **1080 hours** of documented supervised experience over a nine month span of time, including working with children in a program with these standards or comparable standards. Programs must serve same ages and developmental stages as those served in this program.
3. Knowledge of and experience with implementation of NAEYC accreditation standards as well Department/Office of Early Childhood Education licensing standards.
4. Experience in collecting and interpreting data used in assessments, portfolios and reports.
5. Incumbent must be able to prepare student portfolios based on Connecticut Benchmarks and NAEYC classroom portfolios.
6. Must be able to plan and implement developmentally appropriate activities.
7. Supervisory experience is preferred.
8. Excellent verbal and written communication skills with diverse populations.
9. Proficiency in variety of software applications including Microsoft Office.
10. Must be able to lift at least 40 pounds and complete repetitive lifting, bending, stooping and/or kneeling.
11. Must possess sufficient visual and auditory acuity to respond to emergency situations in a timely manner during high activity.
12. Must have documentation of a physical examination every two years and a TB Tine Test upon hire and must submit Department of Public Health Background Check and fingerprinting forms within 30 days of hire.
13. Connecticut Child Care CPR/First aid certification is required.
14. Administration of Medications and Epi-Pen certification is preferred but required within 6 months of hire.
15. Bilingual in English and Spanish preferred.

Salary Range: \$15.65-\$19.56 per hour

Benefits include a selection of health insurance plans, vision and dental insurance; life and long-term disability insurance; accrued Paid Time Off (PTO); annual sick leave and nine (9) holidays; shared retirement upon meeting eligibility requirements; and generous membership and program benefits for the employee and their family.

Submit cover letter and resume by email to Suzanne Friedbacher, Vice President of Human Resources at sfriedbacher@cccymca.org.

Deadline: June 29, 2016

The Central Connecticut Coast YMCA is an equal opportunity employer.