## Montessori Program Assistant Job Description



At Montessori Life we understand the importance of a safe and supportive work environment. When our team members are supported, they are free to give us their best! A program assistant is a dynamic role that is crucial to the flow of the program. The Program assistant bridges gaps and helps our program to run more efficiently. This role is a part time role with an average of 24 hours/ week. The schedule is generally Monday – Thursday 12 – 4:30 with rotating Fridays. There are some days that you may be asked to come earlier to support special events or team schedule changes.

To be a successful Program Assistant, you should be a lifelong learner who inspires a love for learning in our students. Outstanding candidates can demonstrate critical thinking skills, perseverance, patience, efficiency, and a commitment to excellence.

# Program Assistant Responsibilities (Please Note: This list is not exhaustive. Other items that support the needs of the program may be included)

### Educational Environment

- $\square$  Observing, guiding, and supervising children while they learn in the classroom environment.
- Image: Substituting for team members that may be absent for the day (both classroom and administrative assistant)
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  Assisting team members with lunch break rotations
- $\square$  Supporting preparation of lessons and shelf works as needed by the lead teacher.
- $\square$  Assisting students with toilet training
- I Maintaining a safe and clean environment as it relates to student eating areas and outdoor classrooms.
- ${f I}$  Establishing rapport and building relationships with students based on trust.
- I Setting an excellent example for students by demonstrating honesty, accountability, understanding, tolerance, respect, love, and kindness.
- ${f I}$  Ensuring classroom supplies and equipment are available and in working condition.
- Image: Pursuing opportunities for personal growth, professional development and knowledge relatedto the Montessori approach.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  Participating in school activities and monthly team meetings.

### Program Environment

- IICleaning teacher's lounge
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  Organizing supply room and curriculum resources
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmill}$  Ensuring guest bathrooms are clean and stocked for use.

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#### Program Assistant Requirements:

- $\ensuremath{\mathbbm I}$  High School Diploma and any of the following:
  - o Certificate in Early Childhood Education
  - o Prior experience in a childcare center
  - o College coursework
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  Willing to pursue and complete Montessori Certification.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{I}}$  An ability to teach groups of children of varying ages, needs, and abilities.
- $\square$  Ability to spend 100% of work time standing or moving about classrooms.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmu}$  Physical activities including bending stooping, lifting, climbing, carrying, walking and or reaching on a frequent basis.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  Patience and excellent observational, communication, and diagnostic skills.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  The ability to multitask, keep calm under pressure, and treat everyone with love and respect.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  Excellent planning and organizational skills.
- $\ensuremath{\mathbbmm{I}}$  A lifelong learner who can be a good role model for children.