

Registered Early Childhood Educator, Child Care

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Title

Registered Early Childhood Educator (RECE), Child Care Hourly, flexible work week. Hours are dependent on registration and needs of Child Care Centre

Reports to

Supervisor, Child Care Manager, Program Integrity Children's Services Manager, Staffing Children's Services

Position Summary:

Under the direction of the Supervisor, the RECE will ensure that all YMCA Child Care programs provide quality care, service and support to the participants and their families. The RECE is responsible for planning and implementing age appropriate programs and presenting a safe/clean and visually appealing environment in accordance with the Ministry of Education regulations and YMCA Playing to Learn/YMCA A Place to Connect.

Responsibilities:

- Ensure all child and youth programs provide quality care, service and support to the participants and their families
- Understands and complies with provincial, municipal and YMCA Child Guidance Policies
- Plans and implements a consistent child-centered program in accordance with YMCA curriculums YMCA Playing to Learn and YMCA A Place to Connect. Program Plans and Centre environments address each child's identified needs, stages of development, and interests, assisting children to make developmental progress
- Prepares the Program Plan on Friday afternoon and ensures that it meets Monday morning Curriculum Standards
- Responsible for ensuring that Program Plans meet the Curriculum expectations on a daily basis.
- Coaches the ECA's in their daily routines and contributions to the Program Plan
- Communicates to parents and supervisor on children's developmental progress
- Attends required curriculum training and all other relevant professional development opportunities necessary for the position. Maintains qualifications and certifications as required by the YMCA and professional standards such as Registration with the College of ECE's, First Aid CPR C, two Development Opportunities per year etc
- Completes required documentation of children's development and interactions
- Maintains current daily and/weekly checklists such as Playground Check, Water Flushing,
 Medication Forms
- Participates in and applies knowledge from research to children's learning
- Uses How Does Learning Happen as a resource to strengthen relationships



- Seeks opportunities to deepen connections and increase engagement of parents and children in care, providing further opportunities to get involved in other YMCA Programs
- Prepares and participates in Parent Involvement events
- Demonstrates appropriate behaviours in line with our Mission, Vision and Values as reflected in our YMCA competencies; takes a member focused approach to increase their understanding of programs offered across the Association. Represents the YMCA and the Association in a professional manner
- Adheres to work schedule to ensure program stays within ratio and provides required adequate notice to Supervisor regarding unexpected scheduling changes
- Understands and supports YMCA philanthropic commitments, connects with families and offers opportunities to give, either financially or their personal time, including participation in special events within the centre and community
- Understands the legal responsibilities and moral imperative to report suspected child abuse to Children's Aid Society
- Identifies the indicators of abuse and is prepared to report signs of child abuse to the Children's Aid Society
- Understands the importance of the volunteer-staff partnership and integrates the value of philanthropy and volunteerism in dealings with members, volunteers, donors and staff
- Other duties as assigned

Competencies:

- Member Focused
- Leadership
- Teamwork and Collaboration
- Planning and Initiative
- Effective Interpersonal Communications
- Ethics and Self-Management
- Relationship Building and Partnering

Work Environment:

- Interacts with students, teachers, administration, family members, visitors, government agencies/personnel under all circumstances
- Manual dexterity required to use desktop computer and peripherals
- Overtime as required

Qualifications:

Early Childhood Education Diploma



 Currently registered and a member in good standing with the College of Early Childhood Educators

- Working knowledge of the Child Care and Early Years Act, How Does Learning Happen,
 ELECT Document
- Well-developed interpersonal and relationship building skills; ability to establish rapport and excellent communication with members, staff and volunteers
- Excellent written communication skills
- Commitment to working in a socially inclusive environment; cultural sensitivity
- A capacity to work within a team and be part of a large multi-service, charitable association
- Knowledge of YMCA Playing to Learn/ YMCA A Place to Connect would be an asset
- Committed to the well-being of families and children
- Willing to participate in ongoing learning
- Valid First Aid and CPR training
- Police Vulnerable Sector Check