

Lead Preschool Teacher
Anchorage Cooperative Preschool

Anchorage Cooperative Preschool has a rich history as a cooperative preschool program founded by a group of caring and engaged parents in 1970. We believe in providing a supportive, positive environment, rich in connection and play to help students develop a lifelong love of learning.

Children explore and grow in ACP's play-based, child-focused programs, which are grounded in emergent curriculum. We believe that every child deserves positive, meaningful connections with kind guidance as they grow social emotional skills and learn to be helpful members of a community.

Our ideal candidate will have:

- A Bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education or similar
- 2 or more years of early childhood teaching experience
- A philosophy of play-based learning and the cooperative preschool model
- Current pediatric First Aid and CPR (or the ability to obtain prior to starting with students)
- Four positive references (at least three of whom are unrelated to the applicant)
- Background check with fingerprints
- Working knowledge of Child Care Licensing rules and regulations
- Ability to lift up to 40 lbs, squat, sit on the floor, and safely navigate our outdoor play environment.
- Able to complete 24 hours of mandatory training in one calendar year

Job Details:

- \$23 - \$25/hour
- Monday through Friday, 40 hours a week
- Programs run year round (Spring, Summer, and Fall sessions)
- Class hours are 9 AM - 2 PM Monday and Friday; 9 AM - 5 PM Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, however these are subject to change
- 8 days PTO annually plus additional flexibility for unpaid time off
- At least 24 hours of paid professional development each year, including CPR/First Aid training
- Planning, training, and classroom support hours are flexible
- Potential for childcare to be an included benefit

Responsibilities include:

- Leading a classroom of up to 20 students with 1-2 paraprofessionals and occasionally parents
- Teaching students techniques for emotional regulation, and supporting students with positive discipline and respectful behavior guidance
- Planning thematic units that are developmentally appropriate for a classroom of students ages 3 through 5 in a play-based manner and integrating kindergarten readiness standards
- Engaging with children during daily outdoor time
- Communicating daily with families
- Observing and assessing students using AK Early Learning Standards and conducting Family-Teacher conferences 2-3 times per year.

Please submit a resume to preschoolACP@gmail.com.