



POSITION: **Childcare Assistant Volunteer**

PURPOSE: To assist the ECE teacher in charge of the children's program in the day-to-day activities of the class.

COMMITMENT: Minimum three hours a week for a minimum of six months

SUPERVISOR: This position reports directly to the Childcare program teacher and indirectly to the Coordinator of Volunteers.

DUTIES:

- Help set up the equipment and supplies for the day
- Help greet the children and encourage them to choose activities that interest them
- Assist with the activities around the room as required
- Help prepare snacks and interact with the children at snack time
- Help with outdoor activities
- Assist with cleaning up and storing equipment
- Share any special skills or interests with the group
- Assist with the special events such as parties or field trips
- Attend and participate in Team Meetings (optional)
- Participate in workshops hosted by PIRS(optional)
- Participate in the evaluation of the program

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- A warm, patient attitude towards children
- An interest in child development
- An interest in families of various ethnic backgrounds and cultures
- An understanding and respect for varying childrearing practices
- A sensitivity to the needs and concerns of immigrant families
- Reliability
- Willingness to commit to 3 hours per week for at least 6 months
- The physical ability to work with young children

Please email our Volunteer Coordinator, if you are interested in this position: Michelle, mhickey@pirs.bc.ca