



**Seeking  
PM Junior Kindergarten Associate & AM Support Teacher  
Beginning August 2021**

Lincoln Park Cooperative Nursery School (LPCNS) is a Social Constructivist, play-based preschool that embraces the philosophy that learning takes place in the context of authentic relationships. Through meaningful collaboration with families and a focus on individualized instruction that comes from a deep respect for children as collaborators in their own development, the full potential of the parent-student-teacher partnership is maximized. We are a licensed and NAEYC accredited nursery school which has operated for over 70 years.

We are looking for an individual to join our staff in all aspects of our work with young children. This is an excellent opportunity for someone looking for the chance to work with a highly qualified staff in a model program.

**Position and Duties**

The associate teacher will collaborate with the Junior Kindergarten (JK) lead teacher on lesson planning based on our curriculum - assessing, recording and documenting individual child and group growth and development. The associate teacher will, in tandem with the lead teacher, be responsible for the management and learning of a classroom of 4 & 5 year old JK students 4 afternoons per week (M-Th) from 1 - 4 pm. Additionally, as morning support, the teacher will provide floating support 3 mornings per week from 8:30 - 11:30 am to our 2, 3, and 4 Day nursery programs.

As part of our cooperative, staff members also participate in school meetings and events that can take place on evenings and weekends.

Associate teachers attend weekly staff meetings, and are responsible for keeping abreast of trends in Early Childhood Education by participating in conferences and in-service training, and participating in both individual and staff professional development experiences and activities.

**Qualifications and Experience**

Preschool teaching experience is required. Ideal candidates have or are working toward a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education or Child Development. Equally important are the personal qualities of enthusiasm, warmth, flexibility, creativity, sound judgment and emotional maturity with a sincere desire to effectively serve the needs of the children and families, which make up our cooperative. All school employees are required to be fingerprinted by the state of Illinois and undergo a criminal background check.

**Salary:** Based on a 40 week school year and commensurate with experience.

**Benefits Include:** Paid vacation, holidays, personal days, healthcare and retirement benefits, and professional dues.

To apply, please send a current resume and a letter explaining why you are an ideal candidate to:

**Emily Darrell, Director**

**1753 North Fern Court**

**Chicago, IL 60614**

**Or email [admin@lincolnparkcoop.org](mailto:admin@lincolnparkcoop.org)**

No phone calls, please.

*Lincoln Park Cooperative Nursery School admits students of any race, color or natural origin and welcomes families who represent the diversity found in our city community of Chicago. It does not discriminate in the administration of its education or admission policy, scholarship program or other school administered programs. We embrace the value that diversity brings to our school environment and encourage the application of candidates who represent the diversity of our school and city community.*