

Summer EarlyON Outdoor Program Assistant

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Hourly Rate: \$16/hour Reports To: Manager, EarlyON and Family Supports

Hours: 12hours/week Location: 410 Bronte Street South and outdoor locations within Milton

Program Dates: 8 weeks – July/August Number of Vacancies: 1

Why work for Milton Community Resource Centre?

MCRC goes beyond the traditional 'check in the box' approach to employee development by recognizing creativity, innovation and the work contributions of each employee that aligns with MCRC's strategic objectives. We have a wide variety of programs and services that allow our staff to explore various career opportunities within the organization. All employees are provided with a free membership to The Halton Resource Connection that allows Educators to access resources, materials and professional learning opportunities to enhance your classroom. We believe in the importance of providing wellness opportunities that support employee's mental, physical and emotional health.

We're looking for someone with the following qualifications:

Current student of Recreation and Leisure Studies, Early Childhood Education, Child and Youth Studies, or other relevant Diploma/Degree programs preferred but not required. Standard First Aid/CPR C, Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Sector Screen required. We are looking for someone who has experience in some of the following areas of interest: outdoor education, connecting to nature, and physical literacy. Experience working with children from birth to age 6 and their families will be considered an asset. The ideal candidate will use a variety of teaching techniques including active listening, modeling, observing, questioning, demonstrating and reinforcing to support the program.

Every day, you'll encourage purposeful play and build upon the interests of children by:

- Creating warm, welcoming interactions that protect the health, security and well-being of children as well as safe and sustainable use of local parks (as COVID-19 guidelines permit).
- Creating an atmosphere which builds upon individual learning styles, interests, and celebrates the cultural and ethnic diversity of the children and their families.
- Collaborating with the EarlyON team to research new outdoor activity ideas that are age appropriate and cost effective.
- Developing a personal repertoire of activities that will engage children and families and build strong relationships.
- Maintaining a positive and welcoming attitude with parents/caregivers, children and team members to promote a sense of belonging for all.
- Assist in the preparation of materials for programs, which may include gathering resources and working collaboratively to compile activity kits for families.
- Engage in other organizational tasks as needed, such as supporting the Infant Food Bank and EarlyOn program room set up.
- Participating in observation and reflection meetings with EarlyON team.

This position is supported through the Canada Summer Jobs program and as such we are looking for candidates who meet the criteria outlined by the National Strategy Priorities. MCRC intends to hire a youth (age 30 & under) who self-identifies as being part of underrepresented groups or as having additional barriers to entering or staying in the labour market. If you meet any of the following criteria, please indicate this within your application. Youth with a disability, new immigrant/refugee youth (arrived in Canada in the past 5 years), Indigenous youth, racialized youth, LGBTQ2 youth. This information will be used for the sole purpose of reporting to the Canada Summer Jobs Program.

MCRC is committed to diversity and accessibility. To this end, MCRC endeavors to reflect the cultures, languages and abilities of the families we serve, in our programs, services and employment practices. Please identify if you require any accommodations during the recruitment process in your application email.

Please submit your cover letter and resume to: Heather Bonser, Human Resources Talent Specialist at heather.bonser@mcrc.on.ca