Preschool Lead Teacher

About Educare DC
Educare DC is an early childhood education program that strives to give at-risk young children the skills necessary for success in Kindergarten and beyond. Educare DC is a NAEYC-accredited Head Start program that serves 160 children from birth to age five in a full-day, full-year school. Our school is part of the Educare Learning Network (ELN), made up of 23 high-quality early childhood schools across the country. Our school’s model emphasizes data utilization, high-quality teaching practices, embedded professional development, and intensive family engagement. Each classroom has three teachers and is supported by an instructional coach as well as our health and family engagement teams.

Why Educare DC
- Join a strong team that is passionate about our children and values each person’s unique contributions
- Provide high-quality and individualized early learning to the children who need it most
- Learn and grow through personalized coaching and mentorship to excel in the classroom
- Teach in our state-of-the-art facility that was custom-built for young children

Job Responsibilities
The Preschool Lead Teacher, who reports to the School Director, is responsible for demonstrating the following:

- An appropriate knowledge of early learning content and pedagogy
- An ability to effectively support young children’s needs with a safe and structured learning environment
- Skills and traits that are a good fit with the mission of Educare
- The ability to problem-solve; Analyze situations thoroughly and generate effective strategies
- Success in achieving student learning and other goals utilizing data
- Personal accountability by assuming responsibility for reaching outcomes despite obstacles
- Professionalism by showing respect to children, parents and colleagues in all situations
- Effective communication skills in both the written and oral categories
- The ability to reflect on previous experiences, drawing lessons learned and applying them to future endeavors

Qualifications
We seek candidates who are results oriented, and have the ability and willingness to work in a program located in a high-risk, low income community. You should have:

- Bachelor’s Degree in early childhood education (preferred) or Bachelor’s Degree in a related field with a minimum of three years teaching experience in an early childhood setting
- Knowledge and experience in the philosophy and practices of early childhood education, developmentally appropriate practice, emergent literacy and social emotional development
- Experience collaborating with parents in the education and care of their children
- Knowledge of Early Childhood curriculum and developmentally appropriate practice for the age group (3-5)
- Knowledge of Head Start Performance Standards
- Must have advanced command of the English language and grammar, both verbal and written

The starting salary range is $50,000-$57,000, commensurate with experience. Educare DC offers a competitive benefits package that includes medical, dental and vision insurance, retirement accounts with company match, paid leave, and more.

Educare DC is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. Diverse candidates are encouraged to apply.

How to Apply
Submit your resume via email to jobs@educaredc.org or by mail to Attn: Educare DC 640 Anacostia Ave., NE, Washington, DC 20019

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