



# Strengthening Rural Families

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## Santiam Canyon Preschool Head Teacher

### Description:

The Head Teacher is responsible for providing a preschool program with quality learning outcomes in a nurturing environment. You will work with the Santiam Canyon School District staff, and with preschool families on a daily basis. You will be an employee of Strengthening Rural Families.

### Job responsibilities include:

- **Lead Teacher for the preschool program at Santiam Canyon Early Childhood Center.**
- Create and employ curricula and activities that are developmentally appropriate, that promote social-emotional growth and meet the needs of children from diverse backgrounds.
- Is responsible for coordinating necessary parental volunteer and fundraising activities.
- Maintain good communication and working relationships with Strengthening Rural Families, the Santiam Canyon School District, parents and community partners.
- Create and maintain relationships with every child and family.
- Evaluate the progress of students on an on-going basis and implements any necessary modifications.
- Conduct parent/teacher conferences at least once a year and in-home visits, as needed, to meet performance standards and support children and families.
- Schedule and attend parent meetings.

### Job Skills Requirements:

- Must be 18 years or older and complete an ODE criminal history verification.
- Have an associates or bachelor's degree in early childhood education, child development, elementary education, special education, or other closely related field, state credential, OR High school diploma and some post-secondary training and at least one year of qualifying teaching experience, OR at least two years equivalent experience in working as a lead teacher with preschool-aged children.
- Have a solid understanding of development throughout early childhood and knowledge of how to facilitate learning.
- Ability to work effectively with other staff members and parents and caregivers.
- Ability to relate to a diverse group of preschool-aged children; instill trust and motivation, meet the academic and emotional needs of all students, appreciate cultural differences and respond to individual learning styles.
- Must register with the Central Background Registry (CBR) and Oregon Registry Online (ORO)

### Salary:

- Pay for this position ranges from \$14.00-\$18.00 depending on experience.
- 25-30 hours a week, 4 days a week, Monday – Thursday (with some Fridays as school days or professional development days), following the Santiam Canyon School calendar.
- This position offers wellness and SIMPLE IRA benefits.

For more information and/or to apply please contact or a send resume and a cover letter to Paul Smith at Strengthening Rural Families, [paul.srf@ruralfamilies.org](mailto:paul.srf@ruralfamilies.org), Mail to: P.O. Box 1528, Philomath, OR 97370 Office: 535 S. 19th Street, #147, Phone: (541) 929-2535, Website: [www.ruralfamilies.org](http://www.ruralfamilies.org)