



## Outdoor Preschool Lead Teacher

Journey School Lynnwood (JSL), a Reggio Emilia-inspired, partial-outdoor preschool, offers families a loving and welcoming community of educators dedicated to encouraging children to pursue learning with a spirit of joy and adventure. If you enjoy making a positive impact on growing minds as well as meaningful connections with your colleagues in a rewarding work environment, read on!

At JSL, we offer classroom environments for children 12 months up to 10 years old. We are passionate about cultivating an environment for everyone in our community to thrive, including our children, families, teachers, volunteers and staff. We encourage open dialog, embrace constructive change and value input and feedback from all.

### Responsibilities include:

- Develop and deliver programming that is developmentally appropriate and integrates hands-on activities and learning
- Keep the safety of children at the forefront of each decision, action and interaction
- Provide the opportunity for discovery and learning, both indoors and outdoors in all kinds of PNW weather. You must love being with kids, getting down on their level in all sorts of weather
- As a fundamental component of our teaching process and approach, must be enthusiastic about helping students connect to the natural environment and their surroundings
- Encourage active exploration and investigation; promote curiosity; guide and facilitate growth and development
- Prioritize and help support students' social emotional growth, which takes many forms, but most importantly, require someone who can model positive behavior management, good coping skills, calmness and problem solving abilities
- Attend to basic needs including feeding, dressing and diapering as applicable
- Demonstrate and encourage appropriate behavioral interactions; enforce code of conduct and maintain order and safety of all students
- Engage in personal professional growth and development

### Requirements Include:

- We ask our teachers to give a commitment through July to provide the most stability and consistency for our students

- Team player, a self-starter and one who demonstrates good judgment and communication skills, is kind and easy going
- Patient and flexible in working with kids, have a sense of humor
- The ability to create community with parents and their children as well as maintain composure in stressful situations
- Willing and prepared to work outdoors in all types of weather, year round
- Detail-oriented and organized. Excellent oral/written communication skills are needed.
- Experience leading projects, activities and outdoor education for diverse audiences
- Adhere to all JSL policies and procedures
- Must be able to pass and maintain clear DCYF criminal background check
- 1-2 years child-related experience (toddler/preschool/Pre-K teaching experience).
- Current certification in CPR and First Aid, or willingness to obtain.
- Up to date on all COVID vaccinations
- Equivalent education/experience may substitute for minimum qualifications except when there are legal requirements, such as a license, certification, and/or registration
- Desired Qualifications:
  - Some college in Early Childhood Education (ECE) preferred
  - WA Initial ECE Certificate preferred
  - WA Short ECE Certificate preferred
  - WA State ECE Certificate
  - Child Development Associate (CDA)
  - Early Child Development Coursework

Benefits Include:

- Competitive pay with regular evaluation and pay increases
- Medical/Dental/Vision insurance benefits offered with company contribution
- 401K retirement plan and company match
- Paid time off and sick leave provided
- Engaged and supportive leadership and management team
- Opportunity for personal professional growth and development
- Convenient location accessible by public transportation

For more information about Journey School Lynnwood, please visit us online at [www.journeyschoollynnwood.com](http://www.journeyschoollynnwood.com) or Facebook at ([www.facebook.com/journeyschoollynnwood](https://www.facebook.com/journeyschoollynnwood)).

To apply, please email your resume and references to [heidi@jslynnwood.com](mailto:heidi@jslynnwood.com). Applications may also be submitted online at [www.journeyschoollynnwood.com/careers](http://www.journeyschoollynnwood.com/careers).

Local candidates only. JSL is an equal opportunity employer.

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