North Raleigh United Methodist Preschool Job Description: Music and Movement

NRUMP Music & Movement Program Vision

Movement supports the teaching of music, but music also supports the teaching of movement. The goal of the NRUMP Music and Movement program is to combine music and movement activities that invite children to experience the world through active engagement. We will offer opportunities for children to express themselves and develop an appreciation for music and movement. This will be done through, but not limited to, musical games, singing, percussion instruments, nursery rhymes, action songs, and movement.

Scope (at full capacity)

100 students ages 18 months through 5 including:8 toddlers20 two year olds34 three year olds36 four & five year olds

Nature

North Raleigh United Methodist Preschool is a ministry of North Raleigh United Methodist Church. The purpose of the program is to foster the development of each child in a Christian environment.

The Music & Movement Teacher is a multiple incumbent position reporting to the Preschool Director. A degree in early childhood development/education, certification of music education or relevant equivalent experience is required.

Teaching Practices

- Provide opportunities for children to play musical instruments.
- Model what children can do with instruments.
- Provide a range of music and movement activities from different cultures.
- Participate in music and movement activities with the children.
- Make music and movement sessions a collaboration with the children.
- Provide opportunities for children to participate in both structured and unstructured music and movement activities.
- Work together with the director and staff to plan music & movement student performances to include Christmas program in Spring program near Easter.
- Choose songs that encourage active involvement, relate to the interests of the children, engage the whole child, have repetitive easy-to-learn phrases that emphasize rhythm and rhyme and are age appropriate.
- Have fun! While the children are having fun, important learning is taking place!

Principal Accountabilities

- Responsible for the arrangement and maintenance of the classroom such that is conducive to learning and is coordinated with other church programs.
- Responsible for planning, implementing, and supervising a program that is ageappropriate.
- Responsible for attending 3 scheduled and called Preschool staff meetings and other Preschool events as requested by the director (including the 2 scheduled music performances and graduation).
- Responsible for preparing daily lesson plans that include age-appropriate activities and seasonal activities.
- Responsible for assisting with child assessments during the school year.
- Responsible for participating in parent conferences as requested or deemed necessary by the parents, teachers, and /or director.
- Responsible for maintaining professional and ethical conduct and communication as it relates to students, parents, and other staff members of the Preschool and church community.
- Adheres to the policies of the NRUMP Employee Handbook of Policy and Procedures.

The work schedule will be determined at the beginning of the year.

Typical hours are 9:30-12:00 2 days a week.