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### **PKA Lunch Helper (Part Time Position)**

Bronx House proudly offers a Pre-k For All (PKA) program in conjunction with the NYC Department of Education. Our PKA program offers a warm, nurturing, stimulating atmosphere where children can expand their skill set and discover the joys of learning in a classroom setting.

The PKA Lunch Helper facilitates the Head Teacher and Assistant Teacher in multiple classrooms with the distribution of students' meals. Additionally, Lunch Helper supports either the Head or Assistant Teacher during the teachers' lunch hours if needed. The Lunch Helper works with other PKA staff to create and foster a warm, nurturing, and stimulating environment through enriching conversation and instruction. As a kitchen helper or a food service helper, your duties include: wash work tables, cleaning cupboards, walls and appliances and cleaning all kitchen work areas, equipment, utensils and dishes. Depending on meals you will be required help to wash, peel and prepare basic food items. Occasionally, depending on need you may be asked to assist in the classroom when staff ratio need to be maintained.

#### **Required Experience/Licenses:**

- A minimum of 2 years of experience working with young children, preferably in an early childhood classroom setting.
- DOHMH Food Protection Certificate (mandatory).
- High School Degree (mandatory).
- Experience in Food Service and Preparatory skills.

#### **Preferred Core Competencies:**

- Basic knowledge of child development including typical and atypical language, cognitive, motor, social, and self-help skills development.
- Basic knowledge of best practices as it relates to food handling and distribution to young children.
- An ability to work with a diverse group of teachers and acclimate to the variety of classrooms that will require assistance.

- Experience working with groups and/or families from diverse cultural, economic, and ethnic backgrounds. Must have knowledge of and sensitivity to the educational and socio-economic needs of the children and families served in UPK.
- Nurturing character that enables the building of a respectful, trusting and loving relationship with children and their families.

Job Type: Part-time

Pay: \$15.00 per hour