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JOB DESCRIPTION Parent Educator- Parent Cafes

Purpose: The Parent Educator will work collaboratively with families, education staff and community partners to ensure that the programs will give caregivers the knowledge and skills required to raise emotionally, psychologically, and physically healthy children. Educators will provide parents of any background a safe space where they can share their experiences with each other and therefore learn through healthy and professionally supervised interactions with the help of a mental health professional. The facilitation of a group by this kind of professional will provide parents with information on child development, evidence-based support, development of emotional skills, amongst other things when needed.

Key Activities:

- Provide professional guidance on conversation topics for parents
- Encourage peer-to-peer learning
- Create a safe, welcoming environment for all parents
- Support the philosophy and mission of Families First Learning Lab
- Comply with all policies, rules, and regulations
- Be an ambassador for FFLL programs
- Help administer the program meal to participants
- Provide psychoeducation when needed
- Inform parents about child development
- Provide topic ideas to Families First staff

- Provide tools for parents to help their children develop their social-emotional skills
- Update parents about parenting topics
- Help parents with concrete support by connecting them to whatever community help they might need.

Attendance:

• Ensure all participants sign in

Qualifications:

- Licensed Clinical Social Worker or Licensed Counselor
- Understanding of confidentiality
- Commitment to supporting at-risk families
- Cultural competency appropriate to service area
- Active listening and speaking skills
- Ability to establish positive relationships with people from different cultural and ethnic backgrounds