



Family Building Blocks

RESPITE CARE VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTION

Work closely with teachers to provide warmth, love, and positive experiences for children by providing support during respite care. Respite Care volunteers interact appropriately and respectfully with children, take direction from classroom teachers (allowing them to remain the child's primary caregiver), and maintain professional boundaries with families. Respite Care volunteers assist with classroom set-up and clean up, support child transitions, and assist teachers and children while they're in the classroom or on the playground.

Location and Time Commitment:

Chelsea's Place second and fourth Tuesdays from 2:20-4:50 pm

Dallas Academy second and fourth Wednesdays from 12:30-3:30 pm

FBB Point of Contact: Respite Coordinator

Duration: Minimum of six months, at least one session per month

Skills & Qualifications:

- Reliable and on time (allow for debrief with teachers and/or your supervisor)
- Ability to read children's cues and respond appropriately
- Openness to learning from teachers and a team player attitude
- Complete a successful criminal history check and FBB Volunteer Application

Training Opportunities:

- Orientation from Respite Coordinator
- Daily check in with teaching staff
- Monthly classroom volunteer trainings
- FBB volunteer orientation training

Benefits:

- Share your passion for supporting children and families
- Engage with children individually
- Gain knowledge and skills to advocate for prevention
- Help keep children safe and families together
- Learn new skills and explore the areas of human services and early childhood education
- Learn best practice guidance techniques from early childhood education experts