

Teaching/Therapeutic Assistant, LEARN Program
(Full Time)

A Therapeutic and Educational Preschool and Kindergarten for Children with Disabilities
We are growing and hiring!

Providence is a vibrant, registered charity with a long-established history of providing therapeutic and educational services to families across our 6 schools and childcare facilities in Calgary. Our programs are designed to support young children who may not be meeting typical developmental milestones. Providence provides the opportunity to enhance the health and development of children and their families.

We are currently seeking an energetic and dynamic individual with a passion for working with young children to join our program as a **Teaching/Therapeutic Assistant (TA)** for the **2024-2025 School year**. The hours of work are 8 AM – 4 PM (Monday to Friday) and will be working with children in childcare facilities in all quadrants of the city. This position requires a valid Class 5 driver's license and you must be willing to travel.

It is a condition of employment at Providence that all employees are vaccinated against COVID-19.

We offer:

- A fantastic opportunity to collaborate with our dynamic and integrated team, which includes Speech-Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Psychologists, Teachers, and therapeutic Teaching Assistants across schools and childcare facilities in Calgary.
- Comprehensive health and dental benefits package which includes optional RRSP contributions, wellness days, appointment time and paid sick time.
- Employee Assistance Plan.
- Professional development allowance Professional development allowance for ongoing learning and career advancement.
- Competitive salary range.
- Paid vacation as well as additional 2 weeks paid time off during Christmas break.

The ideal candidate:

- Is able to work independently in the community to support children in their childcare centres.
- Broad background in working with and teaching children with complex needs.
- Children are busy and active – so you are too. Adaptability is important because every day will be different and you will have to navigate your way through rapidly changing environments with enthusiasm, problem-solving skills and humour.
- Flexible, curious, creative, and able to multi-task in our ever-evolving world in pediatrics.
- Enjoys working with a multi-disciplinary team to deliver child-focused services.

Responsibilities include:

- Act as a representative and ambassador of Providence in the larger community.
- Implement and monitor educational and therapeutic goals in community childcare programs under the direction of the LEARN Teacher to meet the needs of the children's Individual Program Plans.
- Collect and report data based on observations of children on the caseload.
- Prepare and implement learning materials to enhance programming for children. Assist in the planning and implementation of childcare programs.

- Maintain and demonstrate awareness of, and sensitivity to, underlying behaviour which contributes to children's performance.
- Maintain open and positive communication with parents.

Qualifications:

- Post-secondary education from an Educational Assistant Program, Disabilities Studies Program or equivalent.
- Must possess a **valid class 5 driver's license** and \$2,000,000 liability insurance.
- Must be willing to **travel within Calgary**.
- Pediatric experience in community-based programs is preferred.
- Valid First Aid and CPR Certificate.
- Brain Story Certification by the Alberta Family Wellness Initiative.
- Experience working with children that display challenging behaviour or have disabilities.
- Demonstrates strong organizational, interpersonal and communication skills.
- Personal suitability NOTE: This position requires lifting and carrying demands that require the ability to bend at the waist, stoop, and twist frequently, the ability to lift up to 50 lbs, the ability to carry, push and pull up to 50 lbs, and the ability to stand, walk and sit frequently.

Please submit your resume via email to the Human Resources Team at: hr@providencechildren.com

Providence is committed to fostering an equitable, diverse, and inclusive workplace. We welcome applications from all qualified candidates which includes but not limited to; visible minorities, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity.

Providence acknowledges that what we call Alberta is the traditional and ancestral territory of many peoples, presently subject to Treaties 6, 7, and 8 and the Six Regions of the Métis Nation of Alberta. We acknowledge the many First Nations, Métis and Inuit who have lived in and cared for these lands for generations. We make this acknowledgement as an act of reconciliation and gratitude to those whose territory we reside on or are visiting.

Learn more about us at: www.providencechildren.com