

First Unitarian Church of Dallas
4015 Normandy Ave.
Dallas, Texas 75205



JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Children's Ministries Coordinator

Reports To: Minister of Faith Development

Schedule & Classification: Full-time, exempt; primarily on weekdays and Sundays, occasionally includes work on evenings and Saturdays

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The following statements describe the general nature and level of work being performed. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required of personnel so classified.

Summary: The Children's Ministries Coordinator will perform a wide range of critical organizational and administrative tasks required for the efficient and effective operation of the church's ministry with children in Nursery through ninth grade and their families, including weekly Sunday morning programming and special events.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

- Provide coverage on Sunday mornings including: greeting families, managing children and teacher check-in procedures, assisting teachers with last-minute needs, and ensuring required teacher coverage
- Manage logistics, communication, and support the volunteer leadership of the Our Whole Lives (OWL) program, Coming of Age program, and our summer day camp (*sumfun!*)
- Maintain accurate records of religious education registration forms, background checks, and teacher safety training; produce reports as needed
- Collaborate with the Minister of Faith Development to recruit, train, and support adult congregants in sharing their talents through teaching and relational ministries with children and youth
- Collaborate with the Minister of Faith Development to prepare and distribute correspondence to teachers and families
- Collaborate with the Minister of Faith Development on 9th grade Heritage Trip planning and logistics
- Coordinate and support volunteers in planning and executing fundraising events (e.g. brunches, t-shirt sales)
- Work with volunteers to support special events and the Children's Ministries Library
- Support curriculum development as requested
- Assist with resources and supplies inventory and stocking as needed
- Directly supervise the Children's Ministries Assistant

Other Responsibilities:

- Work cooperatively with the Minister of Faith Development, Children's Ministries Assistant, Childcare Coordinator, families, leadership and support staff – communicating information about schedule, policies, and programs as requested
- Attend meetings of the church staff, and special events of the church as requested

Qualifications

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The Children's Ministries Coordinator must be rooted in Unitarian Universalism with a desire to represent a liberal faith to prospective members and congregants. Ability to interface with a diverse population of children, youth, and adults is a must. Strong organizational and time-management skills, ability to multi-task and attention to detail are essential to success. Strong written and verbal communication skills are a must.

The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable

accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. Applicants must be able to pass a criminal background check in order work for this organization.

Education/Experience: Associate's degree or a minimum 4 years of administrative support and/or volunteer management experience considered in lieu

Language Ability: Ability to read and interpret instructions, budgets and schedules. Ability to respond to inquiries or complaints from constituents; ability to interact appropriately with children, youth and adults. Ability to write reports or other materials as directed that conform to prescribed style and format using standard correct business English spelling and grammar.

Math Ability: Ability to work with mathematical and currency concepts and apply concepts such as fractions, percentages, ratios, proportions to practical situations.

Reasoning Ability: Ability to set priorities, define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to interpret a variety of instructions and deal with both abstract and concrete variables.

Computer Skills: To perform this job successfully, an individual should have a strong knowledge Microsoft Office programs (Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, and Publisher), Internet software and database software. Experience with ACS/Realm database a very strong plus.

Certificates and Licenses: The Children's Ministries Coordinator would be well served to have basic Red Cross safety training, infant and adult CPR certification, and general emergency training. Documentation demonstrating completion of such course work will be a plus in consideration of candidates for this position.

Work Environment: The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The noise level in the work environment during the M-F phase is usually low; when the children are in attendance on Sundays, the noise level may be moderate at times (before and after classes) but while in class the level is generally low.

Physical Demands: The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include: close vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit while using a computer; use hands to touch, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms and talk and hear. The employee is occasionally required to stand; walk; climb or balance and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and go upstairs and downstairs.

Benefits

- Starting salary \$52,000
- Health Insurance – the Church covers the full cost of the employee's premium. Payroll deduction for the cost of coverage of eligible family members can be arranged.
- Optional dental and vision insurance
- Employer-paid group life, AD&D, and short-term and long-term disability insurance
- Flex-Spending Accounts (FSA) for healthcare and dependent care
- Employer contributions to retirement benefit account after 1 year of employment
- Paid time off (25 days), paid holidays (11 days)

General Competencies

The following key elements of performance are considered a part of every job description at the First Unitarian Church of Dallas. Performance evaluations will include a review of these elements.

Ethics: All employees are expected to treat others as they themselves would like to be treated. Each employee must demonstrate by their actions an understanding of the First Unitarian Church of Dallas' Mission Statement. Confidentiality of the church's information should be maintained.

Dependability: Employees should demonstrate they can be depended on. This includes following established procedures, taking responsibility for their own actions, keeping commitments, demonstrating consistent performance, being on time for work and scheduled activities, and meeting workload expectations, ensuring responsibilities are covered when absent, and achieving goals. Each should react well under the pressure and stress encountered. Each employee should work in a way that sets a good example for others.

Judgment: Employees should exhibit sound and accurate judgment within defined parameters in their area of expertise. They should make timely decisions which they can support and explain, and they should include appropriate people in the decision making process.

Change management: Employees must be adaptable to changes in the work environment and integrate such changes smoothly. They should be open to other people's ideas and approaches and be able to change their approach to best fit the situation. Each should be able to manage competing demands.

Initiative: Employees should demonstrate initiative by seeking increased responsibility, looking for and taking advantage of opportunities, and volunteering for appropriate duties. Each should propose solutions when coming up with problems and seek agreement on these proposals. Each is expected to take reasonable independent action, and to ask for help when needed. Each should try to identify new methods or resources that could help them or others. Each should undertake self-development activities.

Job Knowledge: Employees should be competent in the required job skills and knowledge, exhibiting the ability to learn and apply new skills, and keeping abreast of current developments. Each should require minimal supervision while displaying an understanding of how one's job relates to others. Each must also understand one's own strengths and limitations.

Creativity: Employees are encouraged to display original thinking and creativity developing innovative approaches and ideas to apply to our work. Each should generate suggestions for improving work and meet challenges with resourcefulness.

Communications: Effective communications are essential to mutual understanding. To achieve this, employees should speak and write clearly, persuasively, and informatively editing writing for spelling and grammar. One should listen well and understand or get clarification. Each should keep others adequately informed, respond well to questions, participate in meetings, and demonstrate good group presentation skills. It is important to select and use appropriate communication methods. One must also maintain appropriate records and promptly submit information.

Teamwork: Employees are expected to work in a team setting and atmosphere. This includes establishing and maintaining effective relations, offering assistance and support to team members, and exhibiting tact, consideration, a positive outlook, and a pleasant manner. Team members (every employee at First Church) should work cooperatively in group situations and actively work to resolve conflicts. It is important to be available to team members, help others learn and do a better job, take responsibility for team decisions, and in other ways inspire respect and trust.

Problem Solving: Employees should be able to identify problems in a timely manner, gather and analyze information skillfully, develop alternate solutions, and resolve problems in early stages.

I have read and understand this job description. I have the skills to perform the required tasks.

Applicant Signature

Date

Supervisor Signature

Date