

Floater

Michaelson Early Childhood Center

Albany, NY 12208

Assistant Teacher

Full-time

Onsite

\$17.00 - \$18.00 an hour

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Organization Statement

At the Michaelson Early Childhood Center, we believe that play is a cornerstone of early childhood education. Through hands-on activities and play-based learning, we aim to nurture your child's natural curiosity, creativity, and social-emotional development in a warm and inclusive environment.

Throughout the year, your child will engage in a variety of play-based activities that not only promote academic readiness and social-emotional learning, but also celebrate Jewish values and traditions. From imaginative play in our themed learning centers to outdoor adventures exploring nature's wonders, every moment at the Michaelson Early Childhood Center is designed to inspire a love for learning and a strong sense of Jewish Identity

Our teachers are the heart of our school. They create a warm, loving environment where children feel safe, valued, and excited to learn each day. Just as importantly, our educators are committed to lifelong learning, regularly participating in professional development opportunities to stay current with best practices in early childhood education.

In an industry known for high turnover, we are incredibly proud that the majority of our teachers have been part of our school for 5 years or more, with over half of our staff celebrating 10+ years with us this year! Their dedication, experience, and genuine care help make our school a special place for children and families alike.

Job Description

We are seeking a dynamic and adaptable Preschool Floater to join our early childhood education team! In this vital role, you will serve as a flexible support staff member, stepping into various classroom environments to ensure a seamless and enriching experience for young learners.

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Responsibilities

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Duties

- Provide consistent supervision and care for children in different preschool classrooms, ensuring their safety and well-being at all times
- Assist lead teachers with daily activities, including lesson implementation, circle time, arts and crafts, and play-based learning
- Support children with their individual needs, including those with disabilities or special education requirements
- Maintain open communication with parents regarding their child's progress, behavior, and daily experiences
- Follow all health and safety protocols, including pediatric first aid and CPR procedures, to respond effectively in emergencies
- Help organize classroom materials, prepare supplies for activities, and ensure a clean and organized environment
- Collaborate with staff to promote positive behavior management strategies and inclusive classroom practices

Qualifications

- Strong knowledge of child development principles and early childhood education best practices
- Experience working with children in daycare, preschool, or childcare settings
- Familiarity with special education techniques and working with children with disabilities
- Excellent communication skills for parent engagement and teamwork within the classroom environment
- Ability to adapt quickly to different classroom settings and support various age groups including toddlers and infants
- Classroom management skills to foster a safe, engaging, and respectful learning environment

Join us as a Preschool Floater to help shape young minds while gaining invaluable experience across multiple classrooms! Your dedication will support our mission to provide high-quality early childhood education that nurtures curiosity, confidence, and joy in every child.

- **Minimum Education Level:** Highschool Graduate or GED
- **Preferred Education Level:** Highschool Graduate or GED

Application Instructions

Email: Nurserydirector@tialbany.org

Call: 518-438-7858 ext 120

Language Requirements

English