



Early Childhood Teacher Assistant

The Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford is seeking an outstanding Early Childhood Teacher Assistant to join our faculty for the 2023-2024 school year.

Schechter's Early Childhood program is inspired by the Reggio Emilia approach, and uses a progressive, multi-age model approach to education. Our school is guided by Schechter's mission and core values of *Hokhmah* (Wisdom), *Lev Tov* (Good Heartedness), and *K'lal Yisrael* (Community). Our faculty believes in the innate abilities of each student, and works in partnership with other members of the faculty and families to help each child grow.

Responsibilities include:

- Follow all curriculum guidelines set forth and in consultation with the Director
- Assist lead teachers with activities and instruction
- Help prepare for lessons by assembling materials and equipment.
- Provide an inviting, inclusive learning atmosphere for our students
- Help keep learning areas welcoming and safe
- Support children with special or individual needs
- Attend to children's basic needs by assisting with clothing and changing diapers as necessary
- Assist with record keeping, such as attendance records, student documentation and progress notes.

Qualifications:

- Preferably a Bachelor's degree or an Associate's degree in Early Childhood Education
- Experience working with young children in a educational or large group setting
- A passion for early childhood education and helping children grow in positive ways

Essential Professional and Personal Qualities:

- Exceptional listening skills and sensitivity to the needs of others
- A willing communicator and collaborator; an enthusiastic team player
- A deep belief that people are able to grow and change
- Comfortable working within a fast paced, dynamic, school environment
- Unquestionable personal integrity, excellent judgment, sound instincts, diplomacy, patience, and strong work ethic
- A desire to participate fully in the life of a vibrant school community.

The Solomon Schechter Day School of Greater Hartford is an independent Jewish day school located in the beautiful New England town of West Hartford, Connecticut. It is accredited by the Connecticut Association of Independent Schools. Schechter nurtures and inspires the next generation of creators and thinkers to make positive change in the global community through dynamic, forward-looking models of education guided by Jewish principles and values.

Qualified candidates should submit a letter of interest, resume and references to Early Childhood Director, Robin Werner, at rwerner@ssds-hartford.org.