

**Part-time, temporary, Farm to Preschool Educators
6 Month, 16-18 hours per week**

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Program Overview

The Healthy Eating Unit within the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's (DOHMH) Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Tobacco Control is seeking educators to conduct garden-themed nutrition lessons and cooking demonstrations at child care centers located in historically disinvested communities across New York City as part of the DOHMH's Farm to Preschool (F2P) initiative. F2P engages with families, children, and staff at child care centers to influence healthy eating habits and food environments at the center, in the home, and in the community.

Position Details

F2P Educators will provide education and technical assistance at two child care centers each from April-September 2019 and attend weekly Monday morning meetings at the DOHMH office in Long Island City, Queens. From the end of April to the beginning of June, F2P Educators will lead implementation of a garden-themed nutrition education curriculum for children and assist centers in setting up and maintaining gardens. From July to the end of September F2P Educators will lead cooking demonstrations for adults and encourage families to shop at farmers markets and other local produce venues. This is an excellent opportunity for a culinary or nutrition student or early professional to gain hands-on experience as part of an exciting, multi-component initiative. The F2P Educators will work approximately **16-18 hours per week** and will be **paid \$24 per hour**. Paid training will be provided.

Responsibilities

Duties will include, but are not limited to:

- Prepare for and lead implementation of garden-themed nutrition lessons for children attending child care centers and encourage teachers to conduct follow up lessons
- Assist child care centers in setting up and maintaining indoor and/or outdoor container gardens
- Prepare for and lead cooking demonstrations for adults and provide Spanish interpretation

- Follow curriculum and program protocols including: purchasing and expense tracking; maintaining food safety; and ensuring integrity of programming
- Set-up, break-down, and properly maintain and store table, tent and all cooking equipment and educational materials
- Conduct program marketing activities at the child care center and other community settings
- Conduct program evaluation activities including collecting data and data entry
- Attend weekly meetings on Mondays at DOHMH offices in Long Island City, Queens

Requirements

- Experience implementing cooking demonstrations; willing and able to stand for long periods of time
- Willing and able to regularly lift and transport items weighing up to 25 pounds (to and from storage site to workshop location each day)
- Oral and written fluency in Spanish
- Dynamic personality and excellent presentation, interpersonal and communications skills
- Comfort and ability to work with and travel to different communities across New York City
- ServSafe certification or successful completion of the NYC Food Protection Course (prior to April 29th 2019)
- Commitment to 2 days per week of work Tuesday through Friday at child care centers and weekly Monday morning meetings

Preferred Skills

- Experience working with young children
- Experience or training in nutrition or culinary arts
- Experience working with diverse populations and ability to adapt recipes to the culture of communities served
- Understanding of health inequities, regional food systems and community food security issues in NYC

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

This position will be hired through a staffing agency.

TO APPLY

To apply, send Resume, with Cover Letter, including how your experience relates to this position, to publichealthjobs@fphnyc.org indicating "Farm to Preschool Educator_your name" in subject line. Deadline to apply is **February 28th, 2019**.

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