Community Action Partnership of Cambria County

Assistant Cook (Hourly Non-Exempt)

Reports to: Health, Safety, and Nutrition Manager Department: Early Childhood

Classification Group: C Date: February 1, 2022

JOB SUMMARY:

- 1. The position of Assistant Cook involves specialized work in developing and maintaining a safe and healthy environment between the Head Start, Head Start Supplemental Assistance, and/or Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts Programs and parents of these participants in regards to the nutritional and educational needs and services.
- 2. Work involves preparation or development and administration of:
 - a. Agency Early Childhood policies and procedures
 - b. Agency Family Partnership Agreements
 - c. Marketing services on behalf of Head Start, Head Start Supplemental Assistance, and/or Pennsylvania Pre-K Counts Programs
- 3. This position is supervised directly by the Health, Safety, and Nutrition Manager.

ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Ensures all children are appropriately chaperoned and never left unattended in all situations such as facility, transportation, playground, or community outing.
- 2. Assists Cook(s) in daily food preparation using efficient methods in volume food preparation for breakfast, lunch, and snack.
- 3. Assists in the requisitioning of food and supplies.
- 4. Assists in the maintenance of equipment and a clean kitchen facility according to PA State Health Department, Head Start Performance Standards, and State Regulations.
- 5. Maintains records required by Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP), i.e. food usage, menu changes, inventory, daily meal counts, allergies, ordering, etc.
- 6. Assists in conducting on-site mini training sessions for parents and staff.
- 7. Stores equipment and food according to regulations.
- 8. Assumes responsibility for the center's food service in the cook's absence.
- 9. Provide children with allergies and special diets the correct substitutions.
- 10. Sets tables.
- 11. Food Preparation for Parent Meetings and evening meetings.
- 12. Performs other reasonably related duties as assigned by immediate supervisor and other management as required.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. When in assigned center eats with children as needed sharing the same menu while demonstrating socially acceptable behaviors and manners.
- 2. Provides assistance with phone and door as needed at the center.
- 3. Attends evening meetings and participates in job related training as required.
- 4. Able to lift up to 40 lbs and bend as necessary.
- 5. Follows the program procedures relating to confidentiality.
- 6. Performs overnight travel as required.

7. Mandated Child Abuse/Neglect reporter

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

- 1. Proficient oral and written communication skills
- 2. Proficient reading, writing, and math skills
- 3. Ability to deal tactfully with the public
- 4. Demonstrates the ability to multi-task and adapt to changing environment
- 5. ServSafe Certification
- 6. Pediatric First Aid and CPR Certification

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF EDUCATION, TRAINING, AND EXPERIENCE:

- 1. High School Diploma or GED. (Required)
- 2. Current PA Driver's License and reliable transportation. (Required)
- 3. Free of Child Abuse/Neglect history as verified by proper authorities prior to employment. (Required)
- 4. Must obtain Child Abuse, PA State Police, FBI Fingerprinting and NSOR Clearances prior to starting employment. (Required)
- 5. Must pass initial and annual physical exam and TB screening. (Required)
- 6. Must meet vaccination requirements set by funding sources. (Required)
- 7. Past experience with volume cooking and serving the public. (Preferred)

EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE:	DATE: