

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PORTLAND
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY INTERN JOB DESCRIPTION 2022-23**

Position:

Assist the Children's Ministry leadership team in organizing lessons, games and activities for Sunday School at FPC. Mentor young children in the church.

Time Commitment:

This internship is broken down into two semesters:

Fall: September-December

Spring: Mid-January through May

Applicants may apply for one or both semesters.

Interns will be expected at the church from roughly 9 to noon on Sundays. Once a month the interns will have a Sunday off on "Family Sunday", which is a communion Sunday. Additionally, during the fall semester interns can be away for up to two additional Sundays and in the spring semester can be away for up to three Sundays. Each additional missed Sunday will result in a \$25 deduction from the semester stipend. It is preferred that missed Sundays are arranged in advance.

Purpose:

The purpose of the internship is to strengthen the children's Sunday School program of the church, encourage of the spiritual development of youth interns and help them identify their gifts and skills for ministry. New, youthful energy will add a vibrancy to the Sunday School program and having a cohort of reliable, consistent teachers present in classrooms week after week will be a gift to the children of the church. This internship will provide an opportunity for meaningful, inter-generational relationship building and our hope is that youth interns will create bonds with one another and with the children of the church, which will aid the overall church in becoming a more supportive, close-knit family of faith.

Qualifications:

- I am between the ages of 14 and 19 years old by September 11, 2022

- I am committed to teaching young children the stories and values of the Christian faith and will be guided by the teachings of the Presbyterian church.
- I consider myself to be a Christian with an interest in strengthening my spiritual self.
- I have the ability and desire to work with children in a creative, patient and enriching manner.

Accountable to:

Carmen Goetschius, Parish Associate

Support:

All interns will receive a \$500 stipend at the end of each semester. Interns are not employees of First Presbyterian Church and are not eligible for benefits. Interns are not covered under workers' compensation.

For More Information Please Contact:

Pastor Carmen at cgoetschius@firstpresportland.org

Application Deadline:

July 11, 2022

Interns will be selected by August 8th of 2022.

Return completed application to: cgoetschius@firstpresportland.org or bring/mail a printed application to the church office

Children's Ministry Internship Application

Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Are you a member of First Presbyterian Church? Yes No

If no, do you attend church elsewhere? _____

School _____ Grade _____

Special Interests _____

Internship to which you are applying: Fall _____ Spring _____ Both _____

(Fall: September 11- December 18; Spring: January 8 through May 21)

Please list potential conflicts within this time range:

Do you and/or your family have access to transportation? Yes No

Do you need a ride to church from someone other than your parents? Yes No

Is there a physical condition which would limit your ability to work as an intern? If so, please explain:

Are you certified in First Aid or CPR? _____

Why are you interested in this internship and what do you hope to get out of it?

Describe one of your favorite teachers and explain how you would hope to use this example when mentoring others.

Why do you want to work with children?

Describe your religious and/or faith commitment.

Signature of Parent or Guardian giving permission to apply:

_____ Date: _____