

Family Minister Position

East Side Church of Christ

Summary of Position

East Side is prayerfully searching for a youth minister to partner with our elders, deacons, and staff in ministering to our youth group. We live in a fantastic mission field full of young people who need to know the saving power of Christ, so a strong outreach focus for the unchurched youth of our community is extremely important.

Vision:

- Implement and articulate a unique strategy and program that serves the needs of our youth, while creating an inviting and outward focused environment that seeks the lost.
- Articulate East Side vision to ministry staff and volunteers.
- Keep current with innovations in children's, student and family-focused ministries.
- Serve as an advocate for Family Ministry before staff, congregation, and elders.

Programming:

- Create and administer programs that will help children and students (3 months through high school) as well as their families embrace Christ.
- Develop summer programming ideas that are fun and that help families experience Jesus in community.
- Partner with parents by equipping them with resources to become actively and intentionally involved in the spiritual formation and discipleship of their families.
- Develop and direct children and family outreach opportunities focused on reaching the unchurched of our community.

Leadership:

- Lead coordinators, teachers, greeters, resource personnel, and other volunteers in the Children's & Student Ministry.
- Facilitate an effective educational model (infra-structure) to serve the families of East Side.
- Provide teacher training and teacher/volunteer appreciation events.
- Leadership responsibility for Leadership Training for Christ (LTC).
- Leadership responsibility for volunteer staff of Family Ministry.

Recruitment:

- Recruit and train capable coordinators to assist in overseeing our education program.
- Recruit and train capable coordinators, teachers, and counselors for special events.

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- Assist coordinators in recruiting teachers/helpers in each division of our educational organization.

Administration:

- Gather supplies (i.e. Bibles, crafts, school supplies, music) and furnishings (furniture, room-set-ups, puppets/staging, AV equipment) to aide volunteers who work with children and students.
- Lead in curriculum training for each age group as well as for camps and special events.
- Plan and provide for the security of children, students and teachers involved with Family Ministry (i.e. security check-in and retrieval, evacuation plan, volunteer screening, first-aid, CPR training).
- Assist and participate in budget development, implementation, and accountability.

Shepherding:

- Assist in directing people to help with and pray about special needs of students and their families.
- Serve as a healthy role model of leadership, sharing the grace of Jesus.
- Provide children and family direct pastoral care as they navigate the difficult situations, and important decisions of life (i.e. baptism, illness, grief, loss, spiritual questions, etc.)
- Model best practices for teaching through hands on involvement in the educational ministries of the church by teaching at various levels.
- Preach and teach adults as needed.

Minimum Requirements:

- Bachelor's Degree in Christian Education, or equivalent.
- Ministry experience that includes working closely with families, children and teens.
- Proven leadership and management skills.
- Strong presentation and teaching skills.
- Strong relational and team building skills.
- Organizational skills for growing, and maintaining a strong, relevant youth program.
- Strong written communication skills.
- Technological proficiency with digital graphics, web content, social media, etc.