



Lower Sioux Indian Community in the State of Minnesota

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Cansayapi Otunwe

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Assistant Cook - Job Description

Title: Assistant Cook

Reports to: Cook and Health Coordinator

Wage: \$11.00 Part Time

Summary Under the general supervision of the Health Services Coordinator and with guidance from the contracted Nutritionist, the Assistant Cook assists other food service staff team members in serving the children nutritious, good tasting and appealing meals and snacks. It is the Assistant Cook's responsibility to help in the preparation of these meals and snacks by methods that maintain high nutrient levels and that are sanitary. The Assistant Cook also helps to deliver meals to the classroom ready for family style meal service and suitable for the children's age and development.

Duties:

- Assists in the preparation of foods in accordance with the Illinois Migrant & Seasonal Head Start Project's Food Service Policy, Menus and Recipes.
- Assists with planning meals far enough ahead to minimize the need for food substitutions; when substitutions are necessary helps to serve food of equivalent nutritional value.
- Assists in preparing meals and snacks in such a way that a minimum of nutrients are lost from foods, that ensure foods taste good and look appealing, and that there are ample amounts of foods for children to have as many servings as they need.
- Helps to maintain established standards of sanitation, safety and food preparation and storage as set by the local and state health departments, including: storing foodstuffs and supplies in appropriate areas; washing dishes; cleaning refrigerators, stove, bins, cupboards and other kitchen equipment and utensils; and, sweeping and mopping kitchen floors.
- Substitutes for the Cook in her/his absence.
- With the guidance of the contracted Nutritionist, helps modify menus and recipes and prepare foods to meet the developmental needs of infants and toddlers and the medical and feeding needs of children with disabilities or food allergies.
- Helps deliver foods from the kitchen to the classrooms ready to be served as suitable for the children's age and development. (See guidance). Also, assists with preparing and packing food for children's field trips.
- Cooperates with and participates in nutrition education activities for staff, parents and children.

- Participates in all emergency drills and environmental safety activities.
- Attends and participates in grantee-sponsored trainings, center pre-service and in-service trainings, and other continuing education, career and professional development opportunities.
- Participates in the agency's self-evaluation process and grantee monitoring visits and complies with any applicable Program Improvement Plans developed.
- Participates in general staff meetings and other meetings and events planned by the grantee and delegate agency as requested.
- Performs other duties, as assigned.

Education

It is preferred that the Assistant Cook have training in foods, nutrition, dietetics, and/or child food preparation and management. A commitment to secure continuing education related to employment with the Agency is required.

Experience:

Demonstrated skills in preparing the children's food in a nutritious, good tasting and appealing manner. Experience in child food service preparation and management desirable. Knowledge of CACFP requirements also desirable. Knowledge of the challenges and strengths of low-income and migrant families.

Disclaimer

This is not necessarily an exhaustive list of all the responsibilities, skills, duties, requirements, efforts or working conditions associated with the job. While this is intended to be an accurate reflection of the current job, management and Community Tribal Council reserves the right to revise the job or to require that other or different tasks be performed when circumstances change (e.g. emergencies, changes in personnel, workload, rush jobs or technical developments).

In accepting employment, I am agreeing to perform the duties and responsibilities listed above. In addition, I agree to adhere to any policy or procedure changes that may occur during my employment with the Lower Sioux Indian Community.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____