



Job Posting: Family Partner for Parent Ambassador Program (Contract Position)

Organization: Enriching Partnerships for Early Learning (EPEL)

Location: Greater Elgin Area

Position Type: Contract | Flexible

Compensation: \$22 per hour | Approximately 4 or more hours a week

Language Requirements:

- Bilingual English/Spanish preferred
- English only speakers are also encouraged to apply

About the Role

Enriching Partnerships for Early Learning (EPEL) is seeking four to five *Family Partners* for our new Parent Ambassador Program who have a heart for families and a passion for early learning. Family Partners serve as trusted community connectors, helping families feel welcomed, informed, and supported. In this role, Family Partners share **The Basics of Greater Elgin**—five simple, research-based ways families can support early learning and healthy child development in everyday moments—while also connecting families to community resources, developmental screenings, and early care and education programs. This is a **contract position** with flexible hours. No prior professional experience is required.

Training and ongoing support will be provided by EPEL's Community and Family Engagement Team. There are no benefits with this position.

Your Role

- Engage families with young children to build trusting relationships in the community
- Share and model **The Basics of Greater Elgin** to support early learning and school readiness
- Welcome and support families new to EPEL programs, early learning opportunities, and community resources
- Encourage participation in early learning opportunities, school readiness, and community activities
- Listen to families and share feedback, ideas, and community needs with EPEL staff
- Help strengthen connections between families, educators, schools, and community partners
- Perform other duties as assigned to support the goals of the Parent Ambassador Program
- Train other parents on The Basics Principles
- Attend Community Events to talk to other parents

Training & Support

- You will receive paid training on early childhood development, family engagement, community resources, and The Basics Principles and movement
- Ongoing coaching and support from EPEL staff

- Opportunities to build leadership and advocacy skills

What We're Looking For

- Four or Five *Family Partners* (You do not have to have a young child to apply)
- A heart for families and belief in parent leadership and voice
- Interest in early learning and supporting children from birth through age five
- Friendly, approachable, and supportive communication style
- Desire to support families and connect them to resources
- Enjoys connecting with and supporting families
- Comfortable engaging with families from diverse backgrounds
- Bilingual English/Spanish skills are a plus

Time Commitment

- Flexible hours and days based on interest, availability, and community activities
- Training will be required

Why Join EPEL

- Earn \$22 an hour while making a meaningful impact. Mileage built into hourly rate
- Gain training and experience in early learning and family engagement
- Build leadership, communication, and community advocacy skills
- Be part of a community-wide effort to saturate the importance of early learning messaging, improve access to high-quality early childhood resources, and support families with young children so every child has the opportunity to thrive.

DISCLAIMERS:

The physical requirements listed below—including frequently lifting up to 25 pounds, walking and standing for extended periods, bending, kneeling, reaching as needed and climbing stairs—are representative of the essential functions of this position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals to perform these essential functions.

This job description is intended to convey the essential functions of this position and it is not intended to be an exhaustive list of skills, duties, responsibilities or working conditions associated with the position. This is an independent contractor 1099 position. As part of the application process, you will be asked to provide a valid Social Security number or ITIN. Upon hiring, referrals will be requested.

TO APPLY: Send resume or letter of interest to amberpeters@enrichingpartnerships.org

Interviews will begin as early as mid-March 2026