

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION VOLUNTEER – Fort Worth, Texas

### Goal

The Refugee School Impact (RSI) program prepares children, ages 0-5, and their parents for the American school system. This is achieved through Language, Creative, and Physical Education classes.

### Primary Duties and Responsibilities

- Coordinate with Lead Teacher for pre and post-class prep
- Engage with parents and children during class time
- Assist with organizing and dispersing supplies
- Track participation and attendance
- Assist children with activities, crafts, and organized lessons
- Assist with cleanup and resetting of space

### Secondary Duties and Responsibilities

- Complete all onboarding steps in the Volunteer Portal:
  - Background Check – 5 mins
  - Local Live Orientation – 1.5 hrs
  - E-Learning – 45 mins
  - References – 2 mins
- Review confidentiality statement and policies in the National Volunteer Handbook
- Log hours in the Volunteer Portal
- Report any concerns or conflicts to the Volunteer Coordinator

### Time Requirements

We ask that volunteers in this role commit to teaching at least once a week for a minimum of three months. Class duration ranges from an hour and a half to two hours, not including class setup and cleanup.

### Location

All classes are held in south Fort Worth near crossroads Campus Drive & E Seminary Drive. *The exact address will be given upon onboarding completion.*

### Work Environment

Physical Education Class – will require some lifting and will take place outside when the weather permits.

Creative and Language Class – This may include cutting, printing, designing crafts, researching class ideas, and shopping for supplies.

Volunteers will be regularly working within a local refugee community. Volunteers will be encouraged to engage with children and their parents during class time, including giving positive reinforcement, assisting children who may be struggling with activities, and redirecting negative behaviors during class.

### **Skill & Qualification Requirements**

- Comfortability with cross-cultural engagement
- Passion for teaching and working with children
- Proficient reading and writing skills
- Willingness to be flexible
- Classroom experience – *preferred but not required*

### **Orientation & Training**

All volunteers will be required to complete the Early Childhood training course before volunteering in the RSI program.

### **Supervision & Support**

The volunteer will set their schedule and have monthly check-ins with the Volunteer Coordinator. The Lead Teacher, a staff member in the RSI program, will assign day-to-day duties.

### **How to Apply with Links**

You can apply for this role by visiting <https://worldrelief.org/texas/get-involved/volunteer-application/>. For questions about this role, please email [volunteertexas@wr.org](mailto:volunteertexas@wr.org).

## Why Volunteer with Us?

### Your Impact in This Role

Navigating and preparing for the American school system can be a difficult task for anyone. It can be even more difficult for those who are adjusting to a new culture and language. Volunteers have the opportunity to come alongside families through the RSI program to help prepare children and their families for the US education system. Through RSI, children will become familiar with an organized classroom setting, following directions, and completing age-appropriate assignments. Parents will learn what their children will experience in school through various trainings and gain a deeper understanding of American culture.

### Goals for the Role

- Educational development
- Classroom experience
- Integration

### The Benefits Volunteers Will Receive

- Cross-cultural engagement
- Relationship building
- Teaching experience

### Team Values

- Educational support
- Cultural understanding
- Empowerment
- Outreach