

Library Assistant Family Services (part time)

New Canaan Library Mission

To be an essential place for lifelong learning and a vibrant hub for knowledge, culture, and connection for everyone in our community

Our Values

Lifelong learning Community Inclusion

Role Purpose

Position is responsible for staffing Children's and Teen service desks, helping with programming and other special projects. The position reports to the Manager of Family Services and is a member of the Family Services Team.

Key Functional Relationships

Internal

- Manager of Family Services
- Children's Librarians
- Teen Librarian

External

- Children and Teens
- Caregivers and families

Job Description

Deliverables/Accountabilities

- Provides consistently exceptional service at the Children and Teen Service Desks
- Provides information and readers' advisory to teens, children and their families /caregivers
- Actively monitors and manages Children's and/or Teen Room conduct during desk hours
- Actively participates in Family Services special project execution
- Develops and maintains clear documentation for all programs and services
- Collaborates with all other departments to ensure seamless and excellent service to our community
- Other duties as assigned

Skills & Attributes

Develops rapport easily with children, tweens and teens

- Empathetic with a genuine affinity for youth
- Enjoys working with children and teens of all ages & stages and their caregivers
- Deep, broad knowledge of teen and children's literature
- Excellent and effective organizational and communication skills
- Confident and capable user of digital resources and technologies
- Able to adapt easily to a changing environment and work on multiple projects simultaneously
- Resilient and can maintain composure in a very busy service environment
- Focused on excellent customer experiences for youth and adults in the library environment (physical and virtual)
- Maintains confidentiality and is discreet

Qualifications and Experience

- Previous experience working with children and teens
- Proficiency with new and emerging technologies
- Bachelor's or Associate Degree (People in their last semester are invited to apply)

Requirements & Salary

- Up to 15 hours per week, including regular, alternating weekend shifts and one weekly evening, at a rate of \$20/hour. Flexibility to adjust schedule when needed is a plus.
- Up to 4-6 hours on the Children's Service Desk per workday and assisting on additional service desks as required.
- Background check required

Please send a cover letter and resume to recruitment@newcanaanlibrary.org. Position(s) will remain open until August 1, 2024