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Palm Beach State College partners with CareerSource Palm Beach County to host the job fair on Lake Worth campus

(LAKE WORTH, Fla. – March 22, 2023) More than 35 employers, including child care centers, public and private schools, and recreation centers, will recruit for more than 175 positions at the Early Childhood & Afterschool Job Fair, Tuesday, March 28, from 2 to 6 p.m., at Palm Beach State College's Public Safety Conference Center, room PSD 108, on the Lake Worth campus, 4200 Congress Ave.

Free and open to the public, this second annual Early Childhood and Afterschool Job Fair is again co-sponsored by Palm Beach State College and CareerSource Palm Beach County. Pre-registration is advised for speedy entry to the job fair. Visit <http://cspbcapps.careersourcepbc.com/index.php/registration/jobfair/199>.

Job seekers will be able to apply for full- and part-time positions, ranging from early childhood educators, teacher assistants, tutors, and center directors and administrators to preschool and VPK teachers, afterschool counselors, substitute teachers, bus drivers and more.

Exhibiting employers include the School District of Palm Beach County, Academy of Little Learners, All About Kids Learning Centers, Chesterbrook Academy, Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, City of West Palm Beach, Kingswood Academy, KLA Schools, Palm Beach Preschool, ChildCare Careers, Palm Beach Maritime Academy, West Jupiter Community Group, City of Greenacres, YMCA of South Palm Beach County and more.

"With this job fair, we hope to help the industry find and hire qualified candidates before the start of community summer programs and the start of the school year in August," said Susy Martinez White, director of Early Childhood and K-12 Education programs at PBSC. "State laws dictate the teacher-child ratio in the classrooms, putting pressure on employers who don't have enough staff to handle the number of children they serve. Last year's job fair was very successful, and we hope to have an even better turnout this year."

Palm Beach State College also will exhibit as the leading educator of child care and

afterschool professionals in Palm Beach County and the county's Training Coordinating Agency for the Florida Department of Children and Families. PBSC offers many options for training, from entry-level and advanced certificates to associate and bachelor's degrees. Plus, attendees will have the opportunity to learn about scholarships through Prime Time Palm Beach County and the Institute of Excellence in Early Care and Education that enable child care and afterschool professionals to continue their education.

For more information or questions about the Early Childhood & Afterschool Job Fair, please contact job fair coordinators Lucia Adrian, adrianl@palmbeachstate.edu / 561-868-4044 or Luisa Brennan, brennanl@palmbeachstate.edu / 561-868-4048.

Palm Beach State College

Founded in 1933 as Florida's first public community college, Palm Beach State College has been an integral player in the growth and prosperity of Palm Beach County. Our graduates impact every industry and are community and business leaders. With more than 130 programs of study, PBSC offers bachelor's degrees, associate degrees, professional certificates, career training and lifelong learning. More than 40,000 students enroll annually in face-to-face, online, live online and hybrid classes at five convenient locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens, Belle Glade and Loxahatchee Groves. Learn more at www.palmbeachstate.edu.

CareerSource Palm Beach County

CareerSource offers virtual and in-person job fairs, classes and facilities for job searches, grants for job skills training for those who qualify, career development and consulting – at no cost! During the past five program years, CareerSource Palm Beach County assisted more than 40,000 residents to find employment ranging from entry-level to executive suite, with salaries from these jobs creating \$700 million in annual wages. CareerSource also awarded \$14.7 million in grants to area businesses and employees for job training and educational assistance during that time. More information is at www.careersourcepbc.com.

CareerSource also provides services to help rebuild and sustain businesses in today's challenging marketplace. CareerSource absorbs the cost of most of these services including recruitment, assessments and referrals of qualified job candidates; space and staff assistance for screening/interviewing candidates; and grants for training employees.

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Road Closure Information

Through August, Sixth Avenue will be closed from Grove Street (just east of the Lake Osborne Church) to Congress Avenue for bridge replacement work, thus closing the Sixth Avenue entrance to the Lake Worth campus. Please use either of the two Congress Avenue entrances (between Sixth Avenue and Lake Worth Road) or use the Lake Worth Road entrance (just east of Congress Avenue). [Lake Worth Campus Map](#)

Image attached.

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