

Volunteer Opportunity: Teacher Aide

Organization: Special Kids Special Families (SKSF)

Program: Zach's Place Inclusive Childcare

Location: 4795 Granby Circle, Colorado Springs, CO

Time Commitment: Flexible | Ideal times:

- 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

- 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Age Requirement: 18+



About This Volunteer Role

As a **Volunteer Teacher Aide**, you will support lead teachers in providing a safe, nurturing, and engaging classroom environment for children ages **2.5 through 18**. Zach's Place is an inclusive childcare program serving children of all abilities, including those with special needs-including emotional, behavioral, cognitive, and physical disabilities.

Volunteers help ensure each child feels supported, encouraged, and valued while participating in learning, play, and daily routines.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist teachers with classroom activities and daily routines
- Provide one-on-one support during learning and play
- Assist in supervision during field trips (primarily summer)
- Supervise children during free play, recess, and transitions
- Help prepare snacks and lunches (nut-free environment)
- Read stories and assist with crafts and educational activities
- Support clean-up, toy organization, and classroom tidiness
- Assist with laundry and classroom preparation

Ideal Volunteer Qualities

- Warm, patient, and energetic
- Enjoy working with children of diverse abilities (typical and neurotypical)
- Dependable and willing to help wherever needed
- Comfortable working as part of a team

Physical Requirements

- Ability to lift up to 25–40 lbs
- Standing, bending, kneeling, and active movement throughout shifts
- Occasional outdoor environment

Screening & Training

- Background check and drug screening required
- Training and orientation provided

Why Volunteer with SKSF?

Your time directly supports children and families who need inclusive, compassionate care. Volunteers help create a welcoming environment where every child can thrive.