

Parent Connector Job Description

PJ Library Bergen East is actively recruiting Parent Connectors to help families raising Jewish children meet and connect with other Jewish families in towns across Bergen East and access relevant and meaningful experiences. This family engagement initiative is part of the Kaplen JCC on the Palisades mission to identify and engage new parents and families with young children in Jewish life.

A PJ Library Parent Connector (PC) is someone who:

- Is a member of the Bergen East parent community
- Has at least one child in the target demographic of newborn-6 year olds
- Is excited to meet and welcome parents, and get to know them
- Is an excellent communicator and excels at relationship building
- Is passionate about Jewish life and interested in facilitating and participating in new opportunities for peers to meet each other
- Is self-motivated, curious and open to new ideas
- Knowledgeable about local offerings for parents (or is willing to learn) both within and outside of the Jewish community
- Will serve as an ambassador for PJ Library and the Kaplen JCC on the Palisades

Parent Connectors will be paid \$4000/10 months and will receive up to \$400 for program materials.

They will be expected to work approximately 20 hours/month from September through June to:

- Host 10 special events (either at their home or in a public space)
- Attend at least 10 PJ Library Bergen East events
- Invite families 2-3 additional times/month to get together (could be meet ups at a playground, getting together at a synagogue Tot Shabbat, informal playgroup, library storytime, etc.)
- Identify and connect with 8-10 new families each month
- Deepen connections with families through face-to-face meetings, phone calls, personal e-mails and through social media
- Participate in 3 orientation sessions followed by monthly calls with the PA cohort
- Check in with supervisor on a weekly basis to track and report on communication with families

PJ Library Bergen East Parent Connectors have the exciting opportunity to have a hands-on role in re-imagining their local Jewish community to meet the needs of parents with young children.

To apply:

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