

Little Leaders of KCK

Learning, Caring, Growing

Meet the Teachers
Fall 2021



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Ms. Lillian is the Lead Teacher in Purple Diamonds. She is a student at Kansas City Kansas Community College pursuing a Liberal Arts degree. She joined our team in 2020 and is very excited about helping our youngest toddlers develop their language and social skills through nursery rhymes and play-based learning.

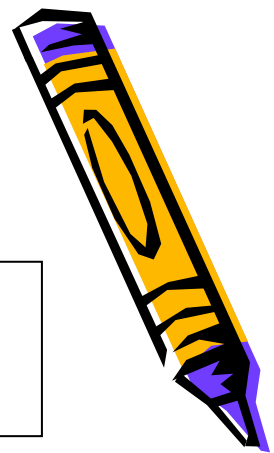
Ms. Christina is the Lead Teacher in Yellow Stars. She has been working with children for 11 years. She is excited to work with our two-year-olds to develop their vocabulary and social skills while exploring and discovering through play, songs, stories, hands-on activities and theme-based learning.



Ms. Chilla is the Lead Teacher in Red Hearts. She has over four years of experience in early childhood education. She is looking forward to leading a fun and structured learning environment for our youngest preschoolers to develop social skills, early literacy skills, and early math skills through hands-on activities.

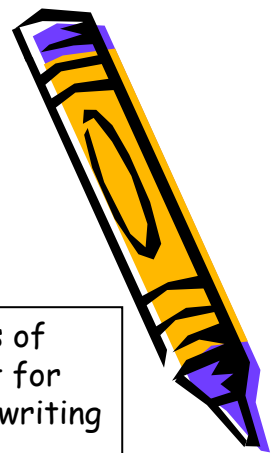


Ms. Keimya is our Teacher's Assistant in Red Hearts. She has over a year of experience in early childhood education. She is excited to support our Transitional Preschoolers with their vocabulary and social skills while exploring and discovering through play, songs, stories, hands-on activities and theme-based learning.



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Ms. Anita is our Lead Teacher in Green Circles. Ms. Anita has over ten years of experience as a preschool teacher and was a para in the Turner school district for eight years. She will be focusing on early literacy and math skills as well as handwriting while guiding fun whole group, small group, and center activities.

Ms. JoJo is the Teacher's Assistant in Green Circles. She has an Associate in Aeronautical Engineering. Ms. JoJo has been working with children for over 6 years. She is looking forward to assisting in the classroom as the children engage in whole group, small group, and center activities.



Ms. Claire is the Lead Teacher in Blue Rectangles, which is our pre-K classroom. She is currently taking classes through KSU and will graduate with a bachelor's degree in Early Childhood Education in May 2022. She has six years of experience and is excited about helping our pre-K students prepare for a successful start in Kindergarten. Ms. Claire will be focusing on early literacy and math skills as well as handwriting while using fun and engaging themes.



Ms. Joanne is the Teacher's Assistant in Blue Rectangles. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work and over four years of experience working in child care. She is looking forward to assisting in the classroom as the children engage in whole group, small group, and center activities.



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Meet Our Support Staff



Ms. Brianna is a part-time Teacher's Assistant. She is a full-time college student working towards a degree in Music Education. She will provide support throughout the building by covering breaks and assisting with activities.

Ms. Elizabeth is our new part-time Teacher's Assistant. She is a senior at Lincoln College Preparatory. She will be here at the end of the day to provide additional support in the classrooms



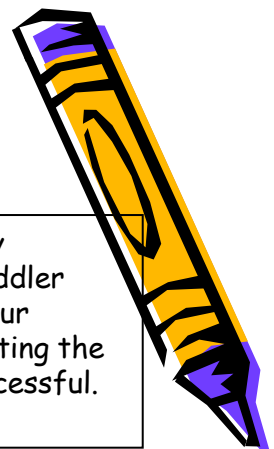
Ms. Marla is a Teacher's Assistant. She has worked with children for 9 years as a para and an in-home child care provider. She will provide support throughout the building by covering breaks and assisting with activities.

Mr. Taleel is a Teacher's Assistant. He has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Montclair State. He will provide support throughout the building by covering breaks and assisting with activities.



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Meet Our Leadership Team



Ms. Mesha is our Program Director. She is a K-State graduate with a degree in Elementary Education. She has 14 years of experience in Early Childhood Education. She has been a toddler teacher, pre-K Teacher, Closing Assistant, and now Director. She is committed to helping our families feel welcome and comfortable at Little Leaders. Ms. Mesha is dedicated to supporting the teachers to ensure the programs at Little Leaders are engaging and all our children are successful. Please feel free to visit with Mesha at any time with comments, questions, or concerns.

Ms. Lindsey is our Events and Compliance Director. She has been a preschool teacher for four years. She is currently working towards her associate degree in Early Childhood Education from North Central Missouri College. Ms. Lindsey is available in the office to assist staff and parents and helps plan our fun, monthly activities and special events. She will also lead our *Growing Time* activities to help the children plant fruits, vegetables, and flowers in the gardens at Little Leaders. She is excited to support our program by helping all our children and their families create wonderful memories.



Ms. Katelyn is our Social Emotional Learning Director. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Fort Hays State University and six years of experience working with children. She will lead lessons and provide support focused on students' social/emotional development and will also substitute for our directors as needed.



Ms. Christi and Ms. Kim are the owners and operators. They founded Little Leaders in 2019. They are both Certified Reading Specialists. Ms. Christi is the Executive Director and has a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. She also has a Master's Degree in Teaching and Leadership and has been teaching for twenty-three years. Ms. Kim is the Executive Operating Director. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education, a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction, and has been teaching for twenty-seven years. Both Christi and Kim are committed to providing a stable and highly qualified staff to care for your child. They encourage you to visit with them at any time if you have questions or concerns. Additionally, they want to thank you for trusting Little Leaders with the care and education of *your* little leader.

