

# JOB POSTING

Job Title: Educator II Status: Full-time Number of Positions: 1

#### Classification: Hourly Reports to: Director of Education and Conservation

#### **Description**

The Educator II will have a primary role in programming, including teaching and updating content. They will take the lead on department projects and work with team members to ensure coverage.

# **Essential Responsibilities**

- Serve as a first line instructor, presenting educational content to school groups, aquarium guests, camp participants, off-site audiences, and special events.
- Provide recommendations to the Director of Education and Conservation of subjects to be covered, develop outlines and content for educational programs, and evaluate programs to assess value and effectiveness.
- Develop materials and activities for use by visitors, program participants, and private groups.
- Assist in the development of new exhibits and interpretive displays.
- Build relationships with community partners through educational programming.
- Provide crowd control, supervision of guests, and educational interpretation at public touch pool.
- Maintain inventory of interpretive tools, including animal artifacts and activity sets, and propose suggestions for additional acquisitions.
- Provide training and mentorship to supportive educational staff.
- Interpret exhibits, animals and their care, environmental issues, and other relevant subjects for guests and staff

# **Requested Requirements**

- Degree in environmental education or relevant field, or equivalent experience
- Minimum 2 years of experience as an informal science/environmental educator
- In lieu of degree, 4 years' experience as an informal science/environmental educator will be considered
- Excellent communication skills (verbal and in writing)
- Excellent customer service skills
- Ability to work both independently and with a team in a fast-paced environment
- Previous experience working with children
- Valid driver's license and a driver in good standing
- Excellent computer skills including Microsoft Office and virtual meeting platforms
- Preferred: previous experience handling and presenting live animals
- Preferred: holds a certification from an interpretive or environmental education organization
- Preferred: knowledge of current teaching trends in the environmental education field

# Working Conditions

- Shifts will include weekends, holidays, and occasional evenings
- Able to lift up to 50 pounds
- Able to stand for long periods
- Able to bend and crouch
- Able to move over uneven terrain and in all weather conditions

# Salary Range

• \$17.00-\$18.00 per hour

#### To Apply

Please send resume and cover letter to kdaloise@aquariumofniagara.org. Be sure to include **Educator II** in the subject line of any correspondences.

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