

Assistant Educator for Nature Explorers Summer Camp

Bonnyvale Environmental Education Center's mission is to foster experiences that inspire connection to the natural world and its many inhabitants. BEEC has been providing southeastern Vermont with quality outdoor education programs for thirtyfour years.



Description: Nature Explorers camps enable children ages four to eleven to engage in nature exploration and discovery through inquiry, hands-on activities, lessons, games, stories, crafts and music. The position requires a creative educator and nature lover who enjoys working with children outdoors, with leadership and inclusion skills to meet the diverse needs of children at camp. Each camp group will have a lead educator and an assistant, and the groups are supported by the camp director.

Responsibilities: Create a welcoming, fun, safe, supportive, and inclusive camp experience where children explore, imagine, play and learn. Support the planning and leading of camp activities in collaboration with other camp staff. Support children with diverse needs to participate in camp activities. Implement program policies and protocols. Set up and clean up for daily activities. Maintain materials and equipment. Administer first aid as needed.

Qualifications: Relevant teaching experience. Compassionate, enthusiastic, friendly, patient, flexible and creative when working with children and adults. Experience supporting and meeting the diverse needs of children in the camp setting. Knowledge of and passion for the natural world. Ability to work independently and with a team. Ability to work outdoors, in variable weather conditions. Reliable and professional.

Requirements: All staff are required to currently have and/or be willing to obtain: personal transportation, First Aid / CPR certification, Mandated Reporter certification, ability to pass a national background check.

Assistant Educators for this state licensed program are required to be at least 18 years of age, able to comprehend basic written format, and *meet one of the following* qualifications:

- At least a high school graduate or has completed a GED, and plans to complete a three credit college course in child or human development or in school age care and education;
- Or, at least a high school graduate or has completed a GED, and plans to complete the Fundamentals for Early Childhood Professionals' course or the Vermont Afterschool Essentials Certificate;
- Or, at least is enrolled in or has received a State Board of Education approved Human Services Program Certificate that emphasizes child development or early childhood education.

Dates and hours: Training days during the week of June 23. Summer camp weeks June 30th to August 8th. Camp hours for staff are 8am to 4pm, Monday through Friday. Preference will be given to an individual that can work all 6 weeks of camp. Please state in your application if you are only available for specific weeks of the summer.

Pay: \$15 - \$18 / hour, based on experience and qualifications. If you have specific requirements, please let us know in your letter of interest.

To apply: Please send your letter of interest and resume to Kristina@beec.org. Positions are open until they are filled. We look forward to reviewing your application. Thank you!

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