



## Seasonal Environmental Educator (Part-time)

**Dates:** Seasonal, (June through December) typically 2-5 days per week, 9:00-2:00 (includes afternoon, evening, weekend and occasional overnight hours)

**Salary:** \$12/hour depending on experience

For the past 40 years, Riverbend Environmental Education Center in Gladwyne, PA has been bringing high quality environmental and science programming to children in our region. Environmental educators are important members of our education team and are responsible for teaching a variety of programs, including field trips, offsite programs to schools, after-school programs, scouts and more.

The primary responsibility of educators is to teach lessons to visiting school groups participating in our onsite education program, which serves approximately 8,000 students each year. During these field trip programs, each educator is responsible for teaching a group of between 15 and 25 students at a time, ranging in age from Pre-K to 7th grade. Lessons can include, but are not limited to, pond and stream study, watersheds, habitats and ecosystems, soil and geology, Aquaponics, and animal adaptations.

### Responsibilities:

- Educators will work with a variety of ages of school groups visiting Riverbend and implement pre-written lesson plans
- Educators may be asked to deliver pre-designed curriculum in area classrooms
- Educators will be required to interpret existing curriculum and differentiate it as needed, based on the needs of the group
- Educators' responsibilities will include group management, crowd control, and set-up and break-down of supplies and materials used for school visits
- Educators and assistant educators are expected to both work together as a team and function independently

### Qualifications and Competencies

- At least one year experience working with children in outdoor settings
- Comfortable with the basic natural history of the area
- Background / interest in biology, ecology, environmental studies or education preferred
- Effective classroom / group management skills
- Excellent oral communication skills and the ability to project
- Ability to work cooperatively with a team or individually
- Comfortable interacting with live animals
- Reliability and flexibility
- Some knowledge of inquiry-based learning strategies
- Successful completion of pre-employment screening including drug test and Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance and criminal background check.
- A valid Driver's License is preferred
- Ability to work actively outdoors in all weather conditions without correctable physical impairments that would interfere with ability to work on the Preserve
- Ability to remain on your feet, hike, and carry up to 40 lbs.

**To apply,** email resume, cover letter and list of three references to:

[acote@riverbendec.org](mailto:acote@riverbendec.org)

*This position is a perfect opportunity for individuals looking to build experience in the field of environmental education or for environmental professionals who are seeking a light, flexible schedule. EOE.*