



Nature Educator

Wild Bear Nature Center is seeking a Nature Educator to lead our after-school programs and teach during the summer. This individual must have 1,000 hours of working with children, loves children, nature and working in a positive environment. We are seeking another mission aligned teammate!

After School Program hours: 2:30-3:40 (planning) 3:45-5:45 program, 5:45-6pm clean up \$14/hour with room for growth, Periodic Full days when school is not in session, Experience with early childhood education, such as preschool age will also be seen as a plus and **would increase your hours** to include a "Bear Cubs" program (ages 3-5) and Kinder Nature (ages 5-6) to be offered, Summer, 8am-4pm \$105/day

Position duties include:

- Plan and implement creative hands-on nature programs after school and on full days when children are not in school.
 - Orient into Wild Bear's materials, programs, policies, philosophy when working with children
 - Take pride in organizing and taking care of Wild Bear's precious materials
 - Integrate new ideas into Wild Bear's existing programs and materials
- Insure that all children are safe and accounted for at all times
- Work with your education team to plan fun and hands-on nature programs for school age children
- Drive a 15 passenger van to outlying areas such as Mud Lake for exploration opportunities
- Create a plan each day and adhere to a schedule but be flexible in response to children and nature.
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Full Days on days off from school: 8am-4pm on days off from school

These programs begin and end at Wild Bear Nature Center and often are spent outdoors most of the day! Wild Bear's education team develops the theme and then staff create a structure of the day which encompasses music, games, story, crafts and outdoor exploration! See above requirements which apply directly to these programs.

Qualifications:

- Preferred completed or working on a degree in the field of education, environmental studies, natural science or related field and/or 2-3 years or 1,000 hours of leading groups of school-age children in nature.
- Clear background check from the Colorado Department of Human Services and the Federal Bureau of Investigations.
- Three positive references
- A strong background in local ecology is a plus.
- We encourage folks who have musical and creative strengths, a sense of humor, are kind and gentle, enjoy children and love the outdoors!

Compensation: \$14/hour with room for growth. Summer programs, \$105/day

To Apply:

Send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references to: jill@wildbear.org

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