

Position: Educator

To apply for this job

Position open until filled. Apply by 5 pm June 6, 2019
to be considered in the initial screening
Start date is flexible



To apply, email (1) a response to one of the teaching scenarios outlined below; (2) a cover letter that includes your teaching philosophy; and (3) a resume to Tara Henderson thenderson@explora.us or mail to 1701 Mountain Rd. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104. Please specify *Explora Educator Position* in the subject line.

Teaching Scenario: Choose one of the following scenarios to write about.

You are asked to teach a class at Explora about the properties of water. There are 15 preschool students in the class.

OR

You are asked to teach an ecology-based class for 2nd-3rd graders.

OR

You are asked to teach a technology-based class for 4th-6th graders. There are 20 students in the class.

As the educator, what kinds of things would you be doing? What kinds of things would the students be doing? In general, what would your learning outcomes be? How would you describe the classroom during the lesson? How will you encourage learning? How will you know that learning is occurring?

Explora Job Description

Group: School and Community Programs

Position: Educator

Reports to: School and Community Programs Manager

FLSA status: 40 hours per week (Full Time/Exempt) – Part time can be considered

Position Summary:

Responsible for developing and facilitating inquiry-based learning experiences for audiences of all ages, with an emphasis on younger children. Educators are skillful at creating STEM interactions that are engaging, effective, and memorable for visitors and program participants, both at Explora and during outreach around the state. They model Explora's pedagogy, demonstrate excellent customer service, and contribute positively to the Explora Education Team. Preferred qualifications: Bachelor's degree in field of emphasis (i.e. early childhood, family studies, physical science, biology, art). Ability to work evenings/weekends and Spanish fluency a plus.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Develop and facilitate demonstrations, activities and programs in STEM.
- Facilitate experiential educational programs for a variety of audiences, both on-site and through outreach. Outreach occurs throughout the state at community centers, schools,

libraries, festivals, etc. Educational program audiences include families, students, after-school, homeschool, multi-day camps, teachers and scientists.

- Greet and interact with Explora visitors and school groups, according to Explora's pedagogy.
- Collaborate with other educators and Explora staff members in the development of programs and maintenance of program materials.
- Work on committees that cross Explora departments.
- Deal appropriately with visitor comments/concerns.
- Comply with all operational policies, especially those involving the safety of fellow workers, volunteers and visitors.
- Demonstrate excellent customer service at all times.
- Interact well with all levels of management, peers, co-workers, suppliers, and vendors. Coordinate with other groups as needed
- Maintain a current and valid driver's license to perform work duties if position requires activities that require travel
- Work some weekends and late hours, as business needs dictate

Minimum Qualifications:

- Basic computer skills required
- Bachelor's degree in field of emphasis (i.e. early childhood, family studies, physical science, biology, art). An equivalent combination of education and/or experience may be substituted, as long as it directly relates to the essential duties and responsibilities.
- Experience working with children, especially in a museum or informal setting.
- Bilingual in Spanish preferred.
- Excellent organizational, interpersonal, and planning skills

Work Conditions:

- Requires standing and/or walking, with regular need to perform physical actions that include, sitting, stooping, kneeling, crouching, reaching, handling materials, pulling, carrying and pushing.
- May occasionally require lifting of various materials and equipment to a maximum of 30 pounds.
- Facility may expose employee to loud noise levels, temperature changes and physical obstacles.
- Must pass a federal background check upon employment

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