

Education Coordinator



Position Summary:

The Education Coordinator will lead Wild for Art programs and engage in outreach efforts to inspire kids about wildlife conservation through art. This hybrid position involves teaching in-class programs, attending events, and working remotely. Classes and events are primarily in Polk County, with occasional opportunities in Henderson County. Ideal candidates are self-starters who enjoy balancing in-person teaching with remote creative development.

Responsibilities:

Deliver Engaging Educational Programs:

- Conduct Wild for Art classes across various settings, including after-school programs, in-class sessions, summer programs, library sessions, and homeschool groups.
- Cultivate a positive and inclusive learning environment that fosters curiosity, exploration, and creative expression among participants.
- Coordinate and communicate with volunteers to be sure all programs have adequate resources.
- Write blogs, newspaper articles, and social media posts on educational programs and the animals taught in our programs.

Collaborate on Curriculum Development:

- Work closely with the Education Manager to create educational resources, lesson plans, and curriculum materials that align with state standards.
- Develop wildlife art activities for kids and families for an online portal in development.
- Contribute innovative ideas to enhance learning experiences and engage students in wildlife conservation.

Community Outreach:

- Support and participate in community outreach activities, including events, social media posts, and other activities as needed.
- Engage with local communities to increase awareness of Champions for Wildlife programs and initiatives.
- Represent Champions for Wildlife at community events and meetings to promote our mission and build relationships with partners, donors, and volunteers.

Data Management:

- Maintain accurate program participation records, evaluations, and other pertinent data to assess effectiveness and inform future planning.
- Assist in analyzing data to evaluate the impact of programs and outreach efforts.

KEY ATTRIBUTES:

We're looking for someone who enjoys collaboration, celebrates wins (big and small), and contributes to a fun, supportive work environment where everyone feels empowered to make a difference.

- Creative and engaging teaching style.
- Passion for environmental education.
- Positive attitude and enthusiasm for the mission.
- Flexible, adaptive, and thrives in a dynamic, creative environment.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Current residency in Polk or Henderson County.
- Bachelor's degree in education, environmental science, or a related field.
- At least two years of teaching experience, ideally with K-8 students in environmental education.
- Knowledge of the North Carolina Standard Course of Study, particularly in Science and Environmental Education.
- Valid driver's license and access to transportation.
- Flexibility to work occasional evenings and weekends for events and outreach activities.
- Proficiency in Google Workspace (Gmail, Sheets, Docs, Drive).

Bonus Qualifications:

- Experience with Monday.com or similar project management tools.
- Red Cross First Aid/CPR training.
- Bilingual skills.

BENEFITS:

- Full-time with flex time off
- Remote work part of the time
- Professional Development
- Please note that, as a small nonprofit, we do not offer medical or retirement benefits.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

To apply, please submit the following to Tashi Brewster at tashi@championsforwildlife.org: resume, cover letter, and portfolio or sample lesson plan demonstrating your experience and qualifications.

Learn more about Champions for Wildlife and the mission to inspire kids about wildlife through art and education at www.championsforwildlife.org. Champions for Wildlife is an equal-opportunity employer fostering diversity. All backgrounds are encouraged to apply.