



Traveling Naturalist - Field Educator 1

Job title	<i>Traveling Naturalist – Field Educator 1</i>	FTE/status	<i>Temporary, non-exempt 0.5 FTE</i>
Reports to	<i>Youth Education Director</i>	Salary Range	<i>\$15.00/hour</i>

This job description is intended to convey information essential to understanding the scope of the job and the general nature and level of work performed by job holders within this job. But, this job description is not intended to be an exhaustive list of qualifications, skills, efforts, duties, responsibilities or working conditions associated with the position.

Job purpose

Our Traveling Naturalist – Field Educator 1 will work with us towards our mission of connecting people, communities and the natural world. The Traveling Naturalist program brings Wenatchee River Institute (WRI) educational programming to the Wenatchee School District After School Program. This Traveling Naturalist – Field Educator 1 position is a grant-funded position, limited to the current 2018-19 school year. Hours will vary with program needs based on the school calendar.

Duties and responsibilities

The Field Educator 1 supports the implementation of field education programs at WRI. The following list of job duties is not an exhaustive list of all tasks associated with the position.

Responsibility: Program Implementation & Operations

- Teach hands-on, natural science education programs in both classroom and outdoor settings primarily at school sites in the Wenatchee School District
- Operate and maintain lab equipment and field equipment
- Manage participants’ physical, social, and emotional safety/risk
- Teach programs independently and as part of a team
- Collaborate with Youth Education & Community Programs staff

Responsibility: Program Development

- Assist in development of lessons and activities for field education programs

Responsibility: Program Sustainability

- Support Wenatchee River Institute mission and community outreach
- Share in campus stewardship responsibilities
- Take photos of programs and manage for social media and marketing use

Qualifications

The candidate must be self-motivated, reliable, punctual, and able to work effectively with the public.

Minimum Qualifications include:

- Relevant previous experience working with school-aged youth in a formal or informal capacity
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience in science, environmental studies, or related field
- Commitment to stewardship, conservation, and connecting youth to the natural world
- Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion within teaching and community
- Ability to work actively outdoors in a variety of conditions and share a tight office space
- Ability to be flexible and adapt to changing circumstances
- Ability to get to Barn Beach Reserve and other programming sites in Leavenworth and Wenatchee
- Current First Aid and CPR certifications or ability to obtain

Working conditions

Wenatchee River Institute maintains a positive work environment allowing for staff to work in various locations and have flexibility in scheduling depending on workload and programming. Employees are expected to dress and act in an appropriately professional manner at all times while representing WRI, use good judgement and make sound decisions in the absence of specific directions. Working hours will vary depending on programming, some weekend, holiday and evening work may be required of all staff.

Physical requirements

The Field Educator 1 will regularly be working with staff, students and volunteers in an outdoor setting. Candidates must be physically fit and capable of strenuous work on uneven terrain. Candidates must also have the ability to work in variable weather conditions (heat, rain, snow) and have adequate personal outdoor clothing to ensure comfort.

Direct reports

None.

Benefits

- Work in a beautiful setting as part of a dedicated team
- Paid time off
- Sick leave

To Apply

Send a cover letter, resume and contact information for 3 professional references to:

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Open until filled. Priority application deadline: November 28, 2018. State date: Early January 2019.