

EDUCATOR JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB TITLE: Educator
REPORTS TO: Education Manager
ROP: \$9/hr
SCHEDULE: Up to 25 hr/wk, Mon-Sun



GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Discovery Center of Idaho's (DCI) mission is **to inspire lifelong interest and learning in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM)**. DCI serves its mission by developing, maintaining, and presenting interactive science exhibits as well as providing on- and off-site educational programs designed for multi-generational audiences.

Educators at DCI inspire curiosity, discovery and learning about STEM topics as they engage with visitors of all ages on the exhibition floor and in the community through science demonstrations, facilitated engineering activities & experiments. They help to create meaningful experiences for visitors as they interact at hands-on exhibits and engage through a variety of demonstrations on the Center floor.

WHY FLOOR EDUCATORS ARE IMPORTANT:

The Education Department is the heart of the Discovery Center and our educators are our mission in action. Educators help bring our exhibits and STEM principles to life in a way that is fun, engaging, and informative.

TYPES OF JOBS YOU MAY HAVE HAD BEFORE:

➤ Informal or formal Educator ➤ Camp Counselor ➤ Tour or Interpretive Guide ➤ Customer Service

DAILY DUTIES:

- Engage with visitors on the exhibition floor to inspire learning in STEM
- Develop and prep educational programming for youth and adult visitors, including but not limited to: engineering challenges, activities, and science demonstrations
- Act as a group ambassador for school groups visiting the Center on field trip programs
- Assist with implementation and execution of educational content at special events for multi-generational audience
- Day-to-day maintenance: ensuring the facility remains tidy and safe for visitors
- Respond to problems/emergencies & other tasks as necessary
- Support overall museum operations by cooperating with Education staff colleagues, and by providing professional assistance to other departments

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Ability to remain flexible, adaptable, and energized in a fast-paced, ever-changing environment
- Curiosity and a love of learning
- Excellent presentation and communication skills
- Dedicated to maintaining a communicative, supportive, team environment
- High standards for professional conduct when working with visitors, staff and volunteers
- Background in Science, Technology, Engineering/Design, Math, Museum Studies, Education, or a related field
- Must be able to pass a background check

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF THE JOB

- Must be able to stay on one's feet for most of the day; some heavy lifting required
- Must have the ability to work in a noisy, chaotic environment
- Must be enthusiastic and personable when interacting with the visiting public for extended periods of time

WHAT WE CAN OFFER YOU:

- Development of invaluable skills in informal education that can transfer to any professional setting
- Professional development and access to great minds and resources to help you grow and develop as a STEM professional
- One of the most fun and unique places to work in the Treasure Valley



TO APPLY: send your resume and cover letter to education@dcidaho.org by January 10, 2020.