

KENTUCKY SCIENCE CENTER

POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Camp Teacher

REPORTS TO: Coordinator of Fee-Based and Catalyst Programs

SUMMARY:

The Kentucky Science Center is seeking seasonal Camp Teachers with an enthusiasm to “Do Science!” for our summer 2017 School’s Out Science Camp program. Camp Teachers ensure that campers experience a stimulating and fun learning environment at the Kentucky Science Center. Teachers will facilitate all lesson plans and lesson extensions (provided by the Kentucky Science Center) for a class of up to 25 students. Teachers will exercise the engineering design process, inquiry-based learning, Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), and other best practices in conjuncture with the provided curricula. Additionally, teachers will provide professional development opportunities for and guidance to camp counselors and all volunteers in the classroom.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Use a provided curriculum to facilitate lessons with campers on a multitude of science subjects.
- Help students understand and utilize the engineering process within the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in the classroom, exhibits, and field trips.
- Maintain a safe and fun learning environment while in and outside of the classroom.
- Manage classroom materials throughout the week while communicating with the supply staff.
- Preparation of classroom and cleaning of classroom each day.
- Assist with health and safety of the campers by evaluating and treating minor incidents and informing Camp Staff Leads of any incidents.
- Instruct counselors and volunteers of daily needs and expectations.
- Communicate with camp parents, visitors, and non-camp staff.

POSITION QUALIFICATIONS:

- College Graduate or pursuing a degree with emphasis in education or other science related discipline. Preferred current Teaching Certificate.
- Working experience with Kindergarten through middle school or high school students

(K-8/12).

- Classroom management skills.
- Must be available to work a full-day camp setting, five days a week.
- Excellent communication and organization skills.
- Enthusiastic, flexible, and patient attitude.
- Able to lift up to 25 pounds.
- Ability to stand/walk for long periods of time.
- Must pass a criminal background check.
- *If selected, Camp Teachers are required to attend a two day orientation before camp and a debrief one week after camp.*

KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED BY THE POSITION:

- **Camp Hours:** Weekdays: 7:30-5:15, May 29– August 4, 2017
- Teachers are NOT required to commit to all 10 weeks of camp but are required to commit to a FULL WEEK of work (Mon-Fri). Prefer applicants who can commit to at least 3 weeks of camp.
- Ability to work comfortably with the public of all ages and backgrounds.
- Ability to learn quickly, adapt to changing situations, and react calmly under pressure.
- Must have a desire to work in a fast-paced camp environment and have an enthusiasm for working with children.
- May be called up to perform other camp responsibilities as needed.
- Applicant must be comfortable communicating with parents on a daily basis.
- Understanding of engineering process and basic scientific principles.
- Ability to motivate and inspire others, especially children of all ages.
- Ability to work comfortably with science equipment, multimedia/instructional technology, and safety procedures.
- For a full description of camp topics; please see our website at <http://kysciencecenter.org/kids/camps/>

EFFORT:

Must be able to see, hear, and speak. Must be able to read and closely examine items and information. Incumbent spends a considerable amount of time standing, walking, bending, stretching, and manipulating objects with fingers and hands. Must be able to lift up to 25 lbs.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

- Work is performed in a moderately loud environment.

MACHINES, TOOLS EQUIPMENT:

Computer, printer, photocopy machine, calculator, shredder, telephone, fax machine.

CLASSIFICATION:

Range 1
Non-Exempt
Temporary

Reasonable accommodation may be made to those who are able to perform the essential duties of this job.

The Kentucky Science Center reserves the right to revise this Position Description, as it deems necessary.

Resumes will be accepted until March 30, 2017. All selected interviewees will be notified by the Kentucky Science Center to set up their time slot.