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Aquarium Educator (Full-Time)

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Full-Time

On-site

Draper, UT, USA

Job Details

Description

Aquarium Educator - Full-Time**Compensation:** \$17.00 per hour

About the Role

We are seeking a passionate (full-time) Aquarium Educator to engage guests and students with interactive, science-based learning experiences. Educators play a key role in delivering our mission, both at the Aquarium and throughout Utah, by leading educational programs, demonstrations, and interpretive experiences for visitors of all ages. This position involves working both on-site and off-site, delivering programs to schools and community groups.

About Us

At Loveland Living Planet Aquarium, we bring Earth's ecosystems to life. Since opening our Draper facility in 2014, we have welcomed over 10 million visitors and provided educational experiences to more than 650,000 students. With a major expansion underway, we're on track to become the largest aquarium in the Mountain West and one of the top five in the country.

Responsibilities

- Deliver engaging, science-based presentations at the Aquarium and in Utah schools (Pre-K – high school)
- Interact with visitors, answer questions, and provide hands-on learning experiences
- Develop and present educational activities, demonstrations, and learning stations
- Safely handle and present small animals, including reptiles and insects
- Prepare and organize materials for programs, camps, and field trips
- Travel to schools, set up presentations, and return materials to the Aquarium

- Maintain a clean and organized work environment
- Assist in special events and educational programs as needed
- Uphold the Aquarium's mission and values in all interactions

Qualifications

Required:

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Experience engaging with children or public audiences in an educational setting
- Strong communication and public speaking skills
- Ability to quickly learn and effectively share complex scientific information
- Willingness to learn about zoology, marine science, and environmental education

Preferred:

- College coursework or a degree in biology, zoology, marine science, education, or a related field strongly preferred
- Experience in STEM education, museum or aquarium interpretation, or guest engagement
- Bilingual in English and Spanish

Additional Requirements

- Must be willing to go through an additional background check required by the UT Public Local Education Agency (LEA)
- A valid Utah driver's license, or the willingness to acquire one within 30 days of hire date, is required. Ability and willingness to drive long distances. Ability to operate company vehicles and follow vehicle protocol. Must keep a favorable driving record and be willing to permit a periodic review of your driving record, if necessary
- Must be comfortable working under a wide range of temperature (30-90+°F), noise, and light conditions, including indoor and outdoor settings
- Must be 18 years of age or older to meet driving and background requirements

Schedule

- Includes weekends, evenings, and holidays (excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas)
- Full-time schedule consists of 4x10-hour shifts per week, with shifts starting as early as 6:30 AM or ending as late as 11:00 PM
- Schedule may vary seasonally based on educational programming needs
- Travel is required at least twice per year (2-6 days) for school outreach visits.

Benefits and Perks:

- Health benefits including vision, dental, medical, HSA, FSA, pet insurance, paid maternity/paternity leave, EAP
- Generous PTO and holiday package with 12 paid holidays and PTO accrual starting at 80hrs a year and reaching 176hrs by year 5.
- 401K eligibility and full vesting within 90 days of employment with an employer match of up to 4%.
- Free individual Aquarium membership with guest privileges.
- Catered staff lunches twice a month

Please Note:

We're excited about your interest in joining our team! Aquarium Educator roles are posted on a recurring basis as we frequently hire for these positions throughout the year. While we do our best to review and screen applications as quickly as possible, there may be some delays due to the high volume of applicants and the timing of our hiring needs.

We want you to know that your application is important to us, and we appreciate your patience throughout the process. If you're not selected this round or if you don't hear back right away, we encourage you to reapply when the position is posted the following quarter.

Thank you again for your interest in being part of our team and for your enthusiasm for what we do!

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