



OUTDOOR EDUCATOR / NATURALIST

Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre is located in Midland Ontario and is managed by the Friends of Wye Marsh Inc., a not-for-profit charitable organization. The Centre is open 362 days a year and provides school and public programs for over 30,000 visitors annually, including 3,000 school children. Friends of Wye Marsh Inc. is governed by both federal and provincial regulations for all activities and land use.

The successful applicant will conduct daily educational, recreational, and special interpretive programs for visitors to the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre. This is a full-time contract position from May 2020 to September 2020 with a minimum of thirty-five (35) hours per week. This position will be required to work some weekends and statutory holidays. The hourly wage will be \$14.50 - \$15.00 with experience.

Deadline for application: April 3rd, 2020

Responsibilities

- Report to the Program and Education Manager
- Conduct experiential curricular-based environmental education programs for a variety of age groups at Wye Marsh and off-site
- Facilitate interpretative presentations to the visiting public, school groups, and visiting camp groups
- Adapt programs to meet expectations of the audience, including students, families, tourists and the general public
- Represent Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre and uphold the mission statement and objectives
- Work with a diverse group of volunteers and staff in a fast-paced environment
- Guide canoeing, kayaking tours
- Maintain work area and repair program equipment in coordination with other members of the Wye Marsh staff
- Ensure all health and safety procedures are adhered to
- Assist in any other duties as required

Skills

- Proven initiative and self-motivated
- Willingness to learn a wide variety of materials related to environmental education and stewardship
- Able to work independently and in a group setting (skilled team player)
- Enjoy working with youth
- Enjoy working in an outdoor setting in various weather conditions
- Possess an understanding of ecological concepts



- Excellent interpersonal skills, and understand group management techniques
- Excellent planning, organizational, time management and customer service skills
- Established nature interpretation skills
- Effective oral and written communicate skills
- Intermediate computer skills, including Microsoft Office
- Flora and fauna identification skills
- Experience handling and caring for reptiles

Requirements

- Currently obtaining or graduated from a Post-secondary education in biology, ecology, environmental sciences, geography, natural resource management, outdoor recreation, teaching, or a related field
- Bilingual – French and English – an asset
- Emergency First-aid and CPR certification
- Valid Glass G Ontario drivers license
- Police criminal records check, including vulnerable sector
- Ability to work some evenings or weekends

To Apply, send cover letter and resume to: Emily Metcalfe, Program and Education Manager

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