



Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut

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Per Diem Educator

The Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut (ELCCT) is a non-profit environmental education and conservation organization located in west central Connecticut that serves environmental education needs throughout the state of Connecticut. The services provided by ELCCT are aligned with the organization's mission to "Inspire the appreciation and enjoyment of nature through education and conservation, fostering a healthy environment and an improved quality of life."

ELCCT is committed to providing high quality educational opportunities to people of all ages both at its facilities and off site, such as at schools and community events. The primary educational facilities of ELCCT include the Indian Rock Nature Preserve (IRNP) and the Harry C. Barnes Memorial Nature Center (BNC). IRNP includes education buildings, a demonstration farm, a 10-acre lake and two recreated wigwams and is home to the Indian Rock Summer Camp. BNC is a community nature center that provides hiking trails and exhibits that are open to the public on a regular basis.

The Environmental Learning Centers of Connecticut is hiring Per Diem Educators to play a key role in the delivery of its educational programs. The role requires the person to facilitate outdoor, environmental programs ranging from farm-based programs to nature walks. The ideal candidate is curious, personable and hard-working with previous experience working with children. This is an on-call, part-time, per diem position that is scheduled to work on an "as required" and "as available" basis.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Teach and engage people of all ages, including school children, families, and adults in age-appropriate outdoor education programming ensuring that the goals and objectives of the program are met.
- Assist logistical support for programs ensuring the availability of equipment and readiness of facilities.
- Ensure program supplies are kept in order and good condition.
- Manage all aspects of group safety.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications and Requirements

- Previous teaching, outdoor education or summer camp experience required.
- Working knowledge of Connecticut's flora and fauna preferred.
- Highly motivated and energetic, with a passion for education and promoting an ethic of care for the environment through a visible dedication to and enthusiasm for nature and the outdoors.
- The successful candidate will also possess the following:
 - Strong social skills for communicating and working with school groups and the public.
 - Group management and organizational skills

- Eager to learn and share knowledge
- Have exceptional interpersonal and academic skills
- Be self-motivated, able to follow directions and work independently
- Be able to lift heavy items (20 - 50 pounds) such as hay bales, computer and visual equipment, boxes of publications, birdseed, livestock, tables and chairs, etc. for short periods of time.
- Be able to work with different types of large and small animals
- Ability to work outdoors in all types of weather

Employment period: This is a flexible, on-call, per diem job. Working hours are dependent on school/user group schedules.

Hours per week: Hours per week vary on an as needed basis with a maximum of 30 hours per week.

The Per Diem Educator reports to the Director of Education.

ELCCT offers a competitive salary commensurate with experience.

To Apply:

Please send cover letter, resume and contact information for three references to Kirsten Tomlinson, Director of Education, ktomlinson@elcct.org.

Review of applications may begin immediately.