

ASHLAND FAMILY YMCA

Job Description: Outdoor School Field Instructor

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Supervisor: Outdoor Education Director

Dates: April 25th – June 3rd (*Employment is temporary and subject to school/camp participation schedule*)

Compensation: \$20/hour

POSITION SUMMARY:

YMCA Camp DeBoer is seeking applicants who want to make a positive impact on youth through Oregon's Outdoor School. This engaging program enhances student's connection to self, community, and nature. We strive for every student to leave with scientific skills, ecological understanding, self-confidence, curiosity to discover more, and a sense of place in their world.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Deliver prescribed lessons in an engaging manner that promotes learning and inquiry into the natural world and environment.
- Supervise a group of children while promoting a positive environment that fosters fun, safety, and our YMCA values. Will uphold, model and enforce camp/personnel policies and code of conduct.
- Ensure safety of all participants at all times and maintain participant confidentiality.
- Lead and participate in activities for groups of students while adhering to YMCA program standards and policies and procedures.
- Use equitable approaches to engage all students in land-based education.
- Facilitate, teach or support students to participate in discussions, activities, stories, games and/or songs.
- Demonstrate in word and action the Y's core values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility and a commitment to the Y's mission.
- Cultivates positive relationships and maintains effective communication with teachers, children, and other staff.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- COVID-19 vaccine/booster required.
- Must have a strong interest and background in environmental education or related field.
- Prior experience working with youth, preferably in outdoor programs.
- Integrity, patience, adaptability, sense of humor, enthusiasm, and a commitment to serve youth.
- Must be able to manage activity flow and stay on schedule.
- Communicate openly with supervisor, support and connect with students, and behave as an appropriate positive role model in all outdoor school activities.
- Must successfully pass a criminal background check.
- Must maintain current CPR/AED certification (offered free of charge at YMCA).
- Be able to lift or carry objects or children up to 50 lbs.
- Required to sit, stand, or maintain physical activity for extended periods of time. Including but not limited to balance or climbing, stooping, kneeling, crouching or crawling.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The statements of this job description are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people hired for this job title. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties, and skills required of this position.