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Educator at Farm in the Garden Camp

JOB TITLE: Farm Camp Educator

JOB TYPE: Seasonal/Summer

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OVERVIEW :

Berkshire Botanical Garden is seeking Educators for Farm in the Garden Camp (summer 2019). Farm Camp is a day camp for children ages 5-14 held on the beautiful grounds of the Berkshire Botanical Garden in historic Stockbridge, MA. Campers care for farm animals, harvest food they grow themselves, and participate in a wide range of activities: bottle-feeding animals, making cheese, running a farm stand, creating fiber crafts, baking treats with eggs collected from the chicken coop, extracting honey from our beehives, and much more. The camp is small by design, with just 28 children attending each week-long session. Camp runs for seven weeks.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Responsible for co-leading a group of children ages 5-7, 8-10, or 11-14.
- Responsible for all aspects of camp life: participating in morning circle; running animal, craft, and gardening activities; overseeing snack and lunch time; communicating behavior or medical issues to the Camp Director; and generally acting as an adult presence and one of the leaders of their group throughout the camp day.
- Outside of the camp's standard farm-based curriculum, there is an opportunity built into each camp day for the educators to lead an activity that they design themselves. Past activities include ponding, cooking favorite recipes, creating a play, branch weaving, flower pressing, and many others.
- Farm Camp Educators support and are supported by the Farm Specialist, Camp Director and Counselors-in-Training (CITs)
- The Farm Camp Educators reports to the Camp Director.



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QUALIFICATIONS

- Previous experience working with children required
- Experience with crafts, gardening, and farming experience preferred
- Must be highly responsible, self-motivated, flexible, and capable of working outside all day
- An abundance of patience for working with children as well as a good sense of humor and strong work ethic
- Must acquire CPR/First Aid certification before the first day of camp (July 1, 2019) and
- Be able to successfully pass a background check

To comply with state regulations, the candidate must be 18 years of age or older and have graduated high school by June 24, 2019.

DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT AND REQUIRED HOURS

The position runs for eight weeks: a mandatory week of staff training and seven weeks of camp. The position begins on Monday, June 24, 2019 and ends on Friday, August 16, 2019. The workday is Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM until 3:30 PM, with the addition of early drop-off and late-pick up shifts each week. The salary is \$12-14/hour, 35-38 hours/week.

TO APPLY

Please submit a cover letter and resume to Alex Fylypovych, Farm Camp Director, at afylypovych@berkshirebotanical.org. Applications are accepted until all positions are filled.