

Lead Preschool Teacher Position Announcement

Farm and Nature Preschool at Farrel-McWhirter Park

Nature Vision in partnership with the City of Redmond

Nature Vision is seeking a well qualified Lead Teacher to provide exceptional programming at the Farm and Nature Preschool at Farrel-McWhirter Park in Redmond. Our mission is to provide an engaging, nurturing environment where children can learn through play and exploration, both indoors and in the beautiful, unique setting of the park. Nature Vision provides three weekly classes for Preschool students from September-May annually: Creative Play for ages 3.5-4.5, Preschool Adventures for ages 3.5-5, and Pre-K Discoveries for ages 4-5. Classes take place partly indoors and partly outdoors each day. For full information, please visit <http://www.naturevision.org/farm-and-nature-preschool/>.

Nature Vision fosters appreciation and stewardship of our environment through integration of school and community for a sustainable future. As an environmental education non-profit organization, we serve over 45,000 PreK-12 students annually.

Position description

Duties include but are not limited to:

- Developing preschool curriculum in collaboration with instructional staff
- Evaluating preschool programming with Nature Vision Director
- Supervising and Evaluating Instructional Assistant staff with Nature Vision Director
- Teaching all classes alongside Instructional Assistants
- Prep and clean-up of materials in collaboration with instructional staff
- Overseeing classroom management and Preschool discipline
- Developing working relationships with parents to ensure satisfaction. Daily responses to parent emails M-F
- Modifying and adapting curriculum to meet the needs of the children
- Developing authentic student assessments and report card tied to Washington State Early Learning Development Guidelines and conducting parent conferences
- Creating Preschool newsletter
- Creating and managing parent volunteer opportunities
- Communicating with Nature Vision and City of Redmond staff on day to day operations

Start Date: Mid-August, 2015

Hours: We would like one Lead Teacher full time for the preschool, but are open to having two collaborative part time teachers for the right candidates.

Salary: \$22/hour, non-benefitted

Minimum Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Education, Environmental Education, Interpretation, Life Science, or related field. Combination of education and experience which demonstrates the ability to lead and teach a preschool program indoors and in the field with groups of students in varying weather conditions. Master's degree or higher in Education preferred. Must be enthusiastic, energetic and passionate about working with children. Must be a US Citizen or Permanent Resident and able to read, speak, and write the English language clearly.

Special Requirements: Candidate will maintain current Adult, Child and Infant CPR/AED and First Aid certificates. Must possess a valid Washington State Drivers' License and own insured vehicle to drive to field sites as needed. May need to occasionally lift objects up to 50 lbs.

To Apply: Please email cover letter and resume to Ginny Ballard, Executive Director gsanchez@naturevision.org by 3/31/15