

Fall Environmental Educator

August 26-November 15, 2024

Schoodic Institute at Acadia National Park, Schoodic Education District

The majority of the Environmental Educator position is involved with the Schoodic Education Adventure (SEA) Program, which offers a curriculum-based residential education program for 5th through 8th grade students. The three and four-day programs combine hands-on field experiences with some classroom activities. Students are introduced to the concept of stewardship and explore the relationship between preserving public lands and monitoring natural resources. With a strong environmental education curriculum based in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) students participate in hands-on field-based activities.

The Schoodic District also offers public programming focusing on the natural and cultural history of Acadia National Park. Environmental Educators will be involved with delivering and creating programming for the public.

Environmental Educator duties include:

- Working with the middle school overnight experiential education program known as the Schoodic Education Adventure Program (SEA). Within this program Environmental Educators are responsible for the following:
 - Independently leading field based, outdoor education programs in a wide variety of subject areas
 - Assisting with dorm check in/out
 - Assisting in meal service
 - General upkeep of marine tank, buildings, and program materials

- Leading interpretive table talks and programs
- Developing and delivering children's activities
- Roving – contacting park visitors and providing informal interpretation
- Program research, creating props and new activity development
- Data entry
- Assisting with auxiliary programs

Environmental Educator responsibilities include:

- Working 40 hours per week (typically four 10-hour shifts/week).
- Participating in pre-program training, working as a member of the interpretation/education team and attending weekly staff development/ logistical meetings.
- Contributing to all aspects of the operation of the Interpretation/Education District through other duties as assigned.

- Positively representing the National Park Service as a member of the interpretive and education staff.

Benefits:

- \$17.50/hour
- Uniform shirts and jackets provided.
- Fully furnished shared housing (shared bedrooms) and utilities provided on campus with agreement of signed housing contract. (RV site may be available upon request.)
- Free Internet and satellite TV
- Free laundry facilities are available on campus.
- College credit can be arranged through most universities prior to internship season. Interns are responsible for arranging credits with their schools.

To apply, send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references with phone numbers and email contacts to:

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Application deadline is Feb 21, 2024