



## **Job Opportunity Environmental Educator**

Friends of Reinstein Woods is seeking an Environmental Educator to implement environmental education programs during the school year and to administer Kids in the Woods Summer Day Camp at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve. This is a full-time, year-round position.

### **Job Description:**

[Kids in the Woods Summer Day Camp](#) offers week-long day camp experiences (Monday through Friday) for kids entering grades K – 8. Friends of Reinstein Woods offers these camps in partnership with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, which owns and operates the Reinstein Woods Environmental Education Center. Each week of camp offers age-appropriate activities, aimed at certain age groups, designed to promote curiosity and awareness of the natural environment.

The Environmental Educator serves as the "face" of summer camp programming and coordinates all summer camp activities, including: training and supervising three summer camp counselors, updating camp curriculum and safety plan, ordering supplies and materials, and assisting with registration and marketing.

During the school year, the Environmental Educator will coordinate the Watershed STEM in the Schoolyard after-school program that engages 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students in watershed awareness and stewardship. The Environmental Educator will plan and lead weekly afterschool programming at up to three sites, including a field trip and a family event for each site.

The Educator will also coordinate the Environmental Justice (EJ) Stewards Program, a ten-week program to engage high-school students in local watershed issues and stewardship. Students participate in weekly virtual sessions with environmental professionals and advocacy organizations involved in Great Lakes ecosystem-based management. Students will participate in field trips to explore local ecosystems and restorations projects. The EJ Stewards Program will run in the spring and fall of 2022.

The Environmental Educator will assist with recruiting students for the EJ Stewards program, schedule and facilitate guest presenters, and plan and lead field trips in spring and fall. They will also support the students in implementing a stewardship project and coordinate a watershed breakfast with local elected officials in Fall 2022.

### **Required Qualifications:**

Bachelor's degree in education, communications, recreation, natural sciences or an environmental field, and two years' experience working in environmental education, summer camp or a closely related field. The ideal candidate will have experience in providing guidance and leadership to staff and an attentiveness to detail, including record keeping. The candidate

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must have experience using Microsoft Word, Excel and Zoom. The candidate must have excellent people skills and the ability to work with a variety of personalities.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

Certifications in First Aid, CPR/AED preferred but not required. Teaching certification preferred but not required.

**Work Requirements:**

Candidate must be available to work evening and weekend hours. Must be able to work in both indoor and outdoor settings, including standing, walking, and hiking for extended periods of time. NYS driver's license required. Proof of COVID vaccination is required prior to starting work. A background check will be required.

**Compensation and Benefits:**

The position pays \$18/hr plus paid holidays, vacation, sick and personal time. Additionally, Friends of Reinstein Woods strives to provide employees with paid professional development opportunities.

**To Apply:**

Send cover letter, resume, and references by **January 9, 2022** to [info@reinsteinwoods.org](mailto:info@reinsteinwoods.org) (pdf preferred) or by mail to:

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