

Williamstown Rural Lands

Children's Program Leader

– Summer 2022 position –

Williamstown, Massachusetts

JOB DESCRIPTION

Williamstown Rural Lands (WRL) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization operating in Williamstown, MA, whose mission is to conserve and steward natural and farm landscapes and provide stimulating nature-based programming for all ages. WRL is seeking candidates for a 2022 summer position of Children's Program Leader (CPL) for four to six weeks in July to August. This position carries potential for year-round, part-time employment.

The primary responsibility for the position is planning and carrying out two consecutive week-long summer programs, each designed to engage children ages 5-10 in nature and the outdoors, nature education, and community service. The CPL will be assisted by WRL staff or volunteers in program implementation. The 2022 Summer Programs run from July 11 - 22. The CPL will also develop social media content related to children's programs and work with WRL staff and board members to prepare for school-year programs.

We request a minimum four-week engagement in summer 2022, with room for more, including potential for part-time year round employment.

Responsibilities

- Develop and implement 2022 summer programs for children at Sheep Hill with a focus on pond, meadow and forest ecology, and farm history
- Follow up with evaluations of the summer programs after completion and strategize improvements.
- Keep the Nature Cabin neat and current
- Work with staff on publicity and promotion of children's programs and resources
- Producing (written and visual) content for WRL newsletters and social media

Qualifications

- Children nature education or programming experience
- Naturalist skills and knowledge of the natural history of the New England region
- Ability to work with diverse groups of children
- Demonstrated leadership competency
- Proficient in social media communication
- Experience in K-12 education is desirable
- Written and oral proficiency with the Spanish language is a bonus

This part-time, temporary position is on a contract basis and, therefore, is not eligible for staff benefits. Compensation will be commensurate with experience. A work space and a dedicated computer is provided in addition to resources to carry out high-quality programs.

The Children's Program Leader is hired by and serves at the pleasure of the Board of Directors as the trustees of the WRL and will be supervised by the Executive Director.

To apply, send a cover letter highlighting your qualifications for the position and a résumé to the WRL Executive Director, Robin Sears (rsears@rurallands.org). Please write in the Subject line: "Education position, [last name]". Application review will commence on 31 May and continue until the position is filled.

Williamstown Rural Lands is an **equal opportunity employer** that is committed to diversity and inclusion in the workplace. We prohibit discrimination and harassment of any kind based on race, color, sex, religion, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, genetic information, pregnancy, or any other protected characteristic as outlined by federal, state, or local laws. Williamstown Rural Lands makes hiring decisions based solely on qualifications, merit, and organizational needs at the time.