



Outdoor Educator – Shoresh Outdoor School

Job Summary:

Shoresh is seeking to hire an Outdoor Educator – Shoresh Outdoor School (SOS). The successful candidate will be responsible for supporting Shoresh’s educational mission by serving as an educator for Shoresh’s Outdoor School program. The Shoresh Outdoor School is bringing creative, outdoor Jewish nature programs to urban wild spaces, exploring local parks and ravines co-guided by children's natural enthusiasm and curiosities and Jewish environmental educators. We are looking for someone to join our team who understands the issues addressed by Shoresh’s programs and initiatives, and is committed to the values espoused by Shoresh. As well, as are looking for someone who is familiar with and open to the many different ways that community members live and express themselves Jewishly.

Organization Overview:

Shoresh inspires and empowers our community to take care of the earth by connecting people, land, and Jewish tradition. Through nature-based Jewish education, environmental action, and sustainable Jewish products, we offer community members meaningful opportunities to be responsible stewards of the world around us. Serving the communities of Southern Ontario, Shoresh operates out of Bela Farm in Hillsburgh, Ontario, and through schools, synagogues, camps, and community organizations throughout the Greater Toronto Area.

Location’s:

A variety of locations in mid and uptown Toronto, including Earl Bales Park, Cedarvale Ravine, G. Ross Lord Park, Christie Pits Park & Williamson Ravine.

Compensation, Schedule and Supervision:

Payrate: \$14.35-\$20.00/hour (commensurate with experience)

Hours of Work: Between 6-15 hours/week

Candidates must be available to work at least 2 of the following sessions -

- Sundays from 10am to 1pm at Williamson Ravine
- Mondays from 3 to 6 pm at Christie Pits Park
- Tuesdays from 3 to 6 pm at G. Ross Lord Park
- Wednesdays from 3 to 6 pm at Earl Bales Park
- Thursdays from 3 to 6 pm at Cedarvale Ravine

The Outdoor Educator – SOS, will be jointly supervised by the Lead Educator - Youth & Families and the Program and Event Coordinator.

This role will include at least 1 day of pre-program training and 6 weeks of programs, ending on November 14, 2021.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Running outdoor activities with groups of children between the ages of 4-12 years old;
- Review the daily schedule and prepare materials;
- Clean up any materials and quickly debrief the day following programming;
- Supervise children during bathroom breaks, drop-off, and pick-up;
- Assist in facilitating short hikes and activities in parks and ravines, rain or shine;
- Set an example and help children to maintain Covid health and safety protocols, as required, such as wearing a clean, reusable mask covering the nose and mouth, and/or assisting children in physical distancing and sanitizing their hands and supplies.

Qualifications:

We are looking for someone with experience with:

- Children age 4-12 and families;
- Facilitating group activities in day camps, after-school programs, or similar settings;
- Jewish education and/or familiarity with Jewish values, teachings, and practices;
- Outdoor education, and familiarity with and passion for the natural world.

We are seeking someone who possesses the following personal qualities:

- Enthusiastic, warm, motivated, responsible, flexible and grounded;
- Team worker, strong communicator, ability to give and receive constructive feedback;
- Organized and logistically-minded;
- Committed to child-centered educational methods;
- Comfortable spending all day outdoors in all kinds of weather.

Other Requirements:

- Has (or will obtain) current CPR and emergency first aid certification;
- Has (or will obtain) Vulnerable Sector Screening;
- Has the ability to comfortably lift 14 kg (approximately 30 pounds) of program materials and carry a backpack of program supplies for the duration of the work day;
- Has the ability to access multiple sites through Toronto (accessible by public transit).
- Be fully Vaccinated for COVID-19 at least 14 days prior to September 30, 2021.

Shoresh is an equal opportunity employer. We embrace diversity and encourage people of all backgrounds, abilities, orientations, and identities to apply.

How To Apply:

Application Deadline: September 17, 2021

Please e-mail your resume and cover letter, indicating which sessions you are available to work & outlining how your skills and experiences make you an ideal candidate for this position to education@shoresh.ca with "Outdoor Educator" in the subject line. Please visit www.shoresh.ca or contact us at 416-805-8382 for more information.