



Shoresh Jewish Environmental Programs
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Outdoor Educator Job Call

Job Summary:

Shoresh is seeking to hire an Outdoor Educator. 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 guided by children's natural enthusiasm and curiosities and Jewish environmental values. 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, we are looking for someone who is open to the many 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.

Locations:

Programs will be at Cedarvale Ravine, Bickford Park & Williamson Ravine

Compensation, Schedule, and Supervision:

Payrate: \$20/hour

Hours of Work: 9 hours/week

Depending on application submission and hire date, this position will start on either September 11 or October 23. This role will include 1 day of pre-program training and 4 or 6 weeks of programs, ending on November 15, 2022. There will be an opportunity to extend the position into winter and fall sessions of the Shoresh Outdoor School.

Candidates must be available to work the following sessions:

- Sundays from 1:30 to 4:30 pm at Williamson Ravine
- Mondays from 3 to 6 pm at Bickford Park
- Tuesdays from 3 to 6 pm at Cedarvale Ravine

The Outdoor Educator will be supervised by the Lead Educator - Youth & Family Programs.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Running outdoor activities with groups of children between the ages of 4-10 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, snow, rain or shine;
- Set an example and help children to maintain respectful boundaries around health and safety

Qualifications:

We are looking for someone with experience with:

- Children aged 4-10 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/or 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;
- 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 hike while carrying a backpack of program supplies for the duration of the program;
- Has the ability to access multiple sites through Toronto (accessible by public transit);
- Is fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

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 9, 2022**

Please email your cover letter and resume to hire@shoresh.ca with "Outdoor Educator" and your full name in the subject line. All attachments must each be labeled with the applicant's full name. In your cover letter, please help us understand why you're the ideal candidate by addressing the following questions:

1. What interests you most about this position?
2. Based on the qualifications, why are you a strong candidate?
3. What excites you about Shoresh's mission?

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Our sincere appreciation to all those expressing interest in this position; however, only those applicants invited for an interview will be contacted. We will accept applications until the position is filled. No recruiters please.

Please visit www.shoresh.ca or contact us at 416-805-8382 for more information.