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Summer Garden Teacher

Job Description

Clearwater Farm in Onalaska, WI, is seeking a motivated and enthusiastic individual with experience working with children in an outdoor setting and knowledge of basic organic gardening principles to teach a 10-week garden program to local youth groups, daycares, and adults with disabilities. Each week the Garden Teacher will teach participants how to plant and care for their raised beds and prepare healthy snacks. The Garden Teacher will also lead other hands-on activities related to the weekly garden themes, including arts and crafts, nature exploration, and group games.

This position is seasonal and part-time, approximately 30 hours per week beginning approximately June 6 ending no later than August 26, 2016. The Garden Teacher will be responsible for teaching two 1.5-hour classes per day (10-15 students per class), with a maximum of 8 classes per week. The classes will be scheduled between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday.

Responsibilities:

- Lead daily garden classes.
- Guide participants through all aspects of gardening from seed to table.
- Model respect and curiosity for nature.
- Ensure the general safety and well-being of participants.
- Participate in maintaining garden facilities and caring for equipment.
- Represent Clearwater in a professional manner and cultivate relationships with volunteers and group leaders.
- Communicate regularly with the Education Coordinator, Board of Directors, and Garden Team.
- Maintain a detailed garden journal to help assist in planning future garden programming.

Qualifications:

- A minimum of 2 years experience working with children. Experience working with at-risk youth preferred.
- A minimum of 2 years experience gardening and a desire to keep learning.
- Experience working with farm animals is a plus.
- A sense of humor is a must.
- Must be energetic and a self-starter.
- Strong oral and written communication skills.
- An ability to work independently and manage time effectively with minimal supervision.
- An ability to work outdoors in a physically demanding environment.

Preferred Start and End Dates: June 6 – August 26, 2016.

Compensation: \$12-\$14 per hour, depending on experience.

Deadline to Apply: Open until filled.

How to Apply: Please email your letter of interest and resume, including three references, with subject "Garden Teacher" to education@clearwaterfarm.org.