



We Share Our Joy of Nature to Help Wildlife and People Thrive

Brevard Zoo is home to more than 900 animals representing 195 species from all over the world. As a not-for-profit organization, it is a leader in the fields of animal wellness, education, and conservation.

Position: Education Staff: Preschool

Status: Part-time Temporary (M-W-F; 7:30-3; Immediately – Feb 16 with possible extension)

Department: Education

Reports to: Education Early Childhood Manager

Position Overview:

This position will deliver high-quality programs that convey the Zoo's mission. The ideal candidate will be self-motivated, demonstrate a positive attitude, and work well in team environments. The Preschool Staff will co-teach our Nature Preschool – Wildlife Explorers.

Responsibilities:

- Provides excellent customer service to all guests.
- Plans and develops cross-curricular education programming to provide rewarding educational experiences.
- Serve as a Preschool program instructor, offers curriculum support, and assist with classroom management.
- Prepare program areas, classrooms, materials and supplies before and after programs; keep program areas, classrooms, supplies and storage areas neat and organized.
- Interacts with the general public by answering questions.
- Demonstrate superior customer service, both internal (i.e., co-workers) and external (vendors, visitors, students, parents, etc.).
- Maintain positive working relationships with volunteers, co-workers and program participants.
- Able to work and complete tasks, projects and other duties as assigned with minimal supervision.
- Establishes priorities for the completion of work in accordance with sound time-management methodology.
- Enforces park rules and regulations and initiates a quick response if required.
- Develops and maintains cooperative and courteous relationships with department employees, staff and managers in other departments, representatives from organizations, customers, and the general public so as to maintain goodwill toward Brevard Zoo's good image.
- Interfaces effectively with higher management, professionals, customers, and the general public.

Position Requirements:

- Child Development Associate Certification (CDA) or Early Childhood Degree required
- DCF 45 training hours required
- Minimum of 1 year experience with teaching 3 to 5 years preferred
- Must possess Level II Background Screening
- All candidates must pass a drug test and background test prior to start date
- Must be CPR and first aid certified
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Strong organizational skills
- Enthusiasm for the outdoors and natural world; able to work in physically demanding conditions; this program is conducted 80% outside in most weather conditions
- Enthusiastic team attitude and a strong work ethic
- Must be able to lift, carry, and hold 50 lbs.
- Must be able to safely lift, hold, and/or transfer preschool children
- Must be able to bend, stoop, and kneel to children's level
- Must be able to stand for extended periods of time
- Must be able to walk and manage children in the Zoo

Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter to Andrea Aubert Education Curator andrea@brevardzoo.org.

Brevard Zoo is committed to an inclusive environment where employees are encouraged to be their authentic selves. We value the diverse qualities, perspectives, and experiences of all individuals. Join us in sharing the joy of nature to help people and wildlife thrive.