

Hidden Villa
Youth Development Teacher
Job Announcement

Hidden Villa Farm and Wilderness preserve is seeking an energetic, responsible team player for the position of Youth Development Teacher. Hidden Villa is a non-profit, public benefit corporation with a 60-year history, focusing on environmental education. We use our organic farm, wilderness, and community to teach and provide opportunities to learn about the environment and social justice.

Hidden Villa stretches over 1600 acres of open space in the foothills of the Santa Cruz Mountains, about 40 miles south of San Francisco.

Our mission is to inspire a just and sustainable future through our programs, land and legacy.

General Responsibilities

The Youth Development (YD) Teacher position is responsible for daily teaching and safety of Youth Development programs to middle school and high school age youth. This position will be knowledgeable of all YD program and curriculum and be able to support volunteers and intern in preparation for the teaching day. This position is an hourly position and will require occasional weekend work.

Specific Responsibilities and Duties:

1. Teaching middle school and high school age youth YD program curriculum which includes topics on Cesar Chavez, Sustainable Agricultural, Team Building & Ropes Course and Wilderness appreciation.
2. Collaborate with YD Manager and Intern for program prep and to continually refine programs
3. Support volunteers in program prep and mastery of curriculum
4. Assist with organization, planning and logistics pre and post program
5. Committed to personal development of teaching skills and background knowledge of subject areas
6. Provide excellent customer service to clients
7. Know and support leadership in emergency procedures
8. Manage program and teaching supplies
9. Project work
10. Other duties as assigned

Preferred Skills:

1. Ability to exercise judgment in a position of responsibility and to work without direct supervision
2. 2 years teaching experience with teens in experiential educational field
3. Experience with or passion for learning about sustainable agriculture, environmental education, and Cesar Chavez
4. Experience working with youth from a diversity of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds
5. Ability to be flexible and assume responsibility for group instruction with minimal preparation
6. Valid California driver's license, free of any major infractions
7. Must be able to lift 50 pounds and comfortable entering pens with farm animals
8. Spanish speaking not required but strongly preferred
9. Ropes Course or Belay Experience
10. CPR & First aid certified or willing to obtain
11. Good communication and interpersonal skills with youth and adults
12. Excellent organizational skills
13. Ability to conduct self in a professional manner consistent with Hidden Villa values
14. Strong positive group management skills
15. Strong risk management skills

Terms of Employment:

This is a part time non-exempt position working an average of 25 hours/week. After initial training period, normal working hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Work days will vary depending on scheduled programs. Typical work days are Monday through Friday with the occasional evening and weekend program.

Documentation establishing your right to work in the United States is required along with submission of fingerprints and the subsequent successful background check and response. Hidden Villa is a non-smoking environment. Hidden Villa is a Dog Friendly environment. Hidden Villa is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

How to Apply:

Please e-mail your resume with cover letter to: jobs@hiddenvilla.org. Deadline to apply is August 4, 2017.

Hidden Villa is committed to diversity in our workplace and our programs.
We do not discriminate on the basis of any protected category.