Assistant Teacher Position
Start date: August 2022

About the Program:
EverWild Forest School is a nature-based outdoor program for children ages 18 months to 12 years old. We spend 100% of our time outside through all seasons, which includes both instructional time, free play, and investigations. We value and support children’s healthy and appropriate risk-taking in play while managing hazards as they emerge. We believe children learn best through play and exploration. We focus on giving children opportunities to practice conflict resolution, cooperation and empathy. EverWild Forest School believes in the importance of providing children with opportunities to explore and investigate the natural work around them. We operate through city permits and utilize public lands across Idaho’s Treasure Valley in Boise, Eagle, and Nampa and have the unique opportunity to explore wetlands, ponds, rivers, and forests.

Position Overview:
The Assistant Teacher position begins in August 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year. Our programs run 3.5 hours from 8:45 am to 12:15 pm or 12:45 pm - 4:15 pm on Monday-Thursday. Flexible schedule with the option of as little as 2 days a week or up to 4 full days a week. The Assistant Teacher is responsible for fostering a cohesive teaching team with their Lead Teacher, assisting with nature-based activities, and helping manage the day-to-day operational activities of a group of 12-14 students. Assistant Teachers must maintain appropriate, positive, caring behavior when interacting with children, parents/caregivers, and staff. They also must assist with daily tasks (assisting with clothing changes, activities, toileting, picking up area, etc.), and assist in all transitions of the daily rhythm.
Key Responsibilities:

- Assist in nature-based activities under the guidance of the Lead Teacher
- Communicate effectively with all children, parents, caregivers and staff.
- Ensure all program policies are met.
- Ensure a healthy outdoor classroom environment – including maintaining appropriate hygiene and cleanliness standards and safety and security of children as well conduct daily risk/hazard assessments of the outdoor spaces.
- Work collaboratively with internal and external resources.
- Willing, prepared, and able to be outdoors with children in all kinds of weather.
- Collaborates with Lead Teacher to ensure high quality programming.

Qualifications:

- 1+ years of experience in childcare
- Be prepared for outdoor activities on a daily basis in all kinds of weather
- Knowledge or experience in the outdoors through personal interest, hobbies, and/or education
- Ability to work well with others (staff, children, and parents) and to foster a team environment
- Excellent organizational and interpersonal skills
- Adaptable, friendly, outgoing, and excited about EverWild's mission and values!

Benefits:

- Compensation: $14/hour depending on experience
- Paid Time Off
- Bring your child(ren) to work! Parents may enroll one child free of charge (50% off tuition for additional children)
- Flexible work schedule with winter & spring breaks, holidays, and option to work during the summer or take it off.
- Be part of a community-centered organization that’s making the world a better place one child at a time!

Physical Requirements:

- Be prepared for outdoor activities on a daily basis in all kinds of weather
- Be able to lift a minimum of 35 lbs
- Be able to hike on uneven terrain
To Apply:
Please send the following materials to Kaelan@Everwildforestschool.org

1. Cover letter, including
   a. Your education, background, skills, & experience
   b. Your interest in EverWild’s mission
   c. Brief description of your educational philosophy and why you would be a good fit for this position

2. Resume

3. Contact information for three professional references

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