Part-Time *Nature in the City* Environmental Educator

Anticipated Start Date: March 2020

Hourly Wage: $12.00

Baltimore Woods Nature Center is a private non-profit organization located in Marcellus, NY, that has been dedicated to the mission of connecting individuals and communities with nature for over 50 years. Located on 182 acres, the Baltimore Woods Preserve is home to the John A. Weeks Interpretive Center and includes six miles of trails that lead visitors through various stages of successional forest including a pond, valleys, wetlands, and streams. Each year, over 20,000 individuals visit Baltimore Woods Nature Center to hike our trails, attend a public program or event, or participate in a field trip or work project. In addition, our *Nature in the City* program is in the 18th year of bringing engaging natural science lessons to elementary schools across the Syracuse City School District, reaching over 10,000 students each school year. We are currently seeking a seasonal part-time environmental educator to help our team deliver third grade *Nature in the City* programming from March – June 2020.

*Nature in the City* delivers three, one-hour hands-on/minds-on natural science lessons to each K-6th grade classroom during the school year. Through a partnership with Onondaga County Save the Rain, third grade *Nature in the City* lessons are focused on the Onondaga Lake Watershed including the water cycle, water quality, and how grey and green infrastructure influence the flow and management of water on our local landscape. Seasonal, part-time Environmental Educators provide place-based environmental education lessons to students in all 19 Syracuse City School District Elementary Schools which includes two lessons in the classroom and one field trip to Elmwood Park in Syracuse. Training will be provided.

**Job Description:**

The Environmental Educator’s primary responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Serving as an educator for Baltimore Woods Nature Center’s *Nature in the City* Program, delivering programs to third-grade students in the Syracuse City School District including lessons in the classroom and at Elmwood Park in Syracuse.
- Using sound judgment when it comes to classroom and field trip management, engagement, and student safety during programs.

**Education and/or Experience:**

- Must have an understanding of natural science themes, nature-play and interpretation.
- Bachelor’s Degree in environmental interpretation, biology or education field is preferred.
- Experience teaching in an urban setting preferred.
- Experience teaching in an elementary school setting and/or NYS Teaching Certification preferred.

This position is a seasonal, part-time position expected to be 15-20 hours per week, with training starting in March and lessons being taught April through the end of June. The final applicant is required to be fingerprinted and complete a background check and needs to have their own transportation to and from various schools and Baltimore Woods Nature Center.

Baltimore Woods Nature Center is an equal opportunity employer.

This position reports directly to Becky Wilson, Education Manager at Baltimore Woods Nature Center. Please submit a cover letter and resume to info@baltimorewoods.org.