

## **Environmental Educator (Part-time Hourly, Multiple Openings)**

Heritage Conservancy seeks passionate and energetic part-time Environmental Educators to assist with school and community programs throughout the year. Educators will be trained in and deliver programs on a variety of topics including watersheds, water quality, environmental issues, ecosystems, wildlife, and more. The best candidates for the position will be knowledgeable about environmental topics, very personable, and have prior experience working with children and providing programming for groups.

There is no minimum hour requirement each week and programming varies seasonally.

**Benefits:** Flexible schedule, \$20/hour, and mileage reimbursements

**Reports to:** Community Engagement Programs Manager

#### **Essential Roles and Responsibilities:**

- Assist with implementing in-person educational programming for K-12 students at local schools and/or Heritage Conservancy preserves throughout Bucks County.
- Engage community members in interactive educational activities at public programs and tabling events with partner organizations.
- Lead small groups of students in hands-on activities tied to various curricular themes such as watersheds, ecosystems and more.
- Guide small groups on hikes through preserves based on program needs.
- Share Heritage Conservancy's mission with attendees at public events and during school programs.
- Work closely with the Community Engagement Team to deliver high quality programs that are responsive to school community needs.
- Maintain any necessary documentation for programming and activities via photos and data collection for communications and reporting purposes.

# **Essential Skills, Requirements, Education and Experience:**

- Bachelor's or associate degree in environmental science, education, related field, or equivalent experience is required.
- At least one year of experience working with children and/or delivering public programming.
- Commitment to educating in an inclusive and culturally responsive way to support the diverse backgrounds of participants.
- Must be able to work independently and run small group activities as well as being able to collaborate with other educators to deliver high quality programming for a wide range of learners.
- Must be adaptable as programs may shift due to weather, or other unforeseen circumstances.
- Must be people oriented, have a positive attitude and good sense of humor.
- Ability to represent Heritage Conservancy well and an enthusiasm and commitment to Heritage Conservancy's mission, goals, and values.

### **Additional Details of Employment:**

- Programs range in length from one hour to half and full day programs.
- Schedule is variable, with most programs occurring during weekdays between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Occasional evening and weekend hours available.
- Must have own car, automobile insurance and valid driver's license to travel to schools and other offsite locations throughout Bucks County.
- Pennsylvania child abuse clearances required.
- Ability to endure potentially variable factors associated with outdoor work, such as weather and uneven terrain. Occasionally required to lift and/or move up to 20 pounds.
- Must agree to comply with all current Heritage Conservancy workplace safety rules and regulations.
- Attend required training in early September. Commit to assisting on at least 10 hours of programming support across a calendar year.

#### How to Apply:

Applications will be reviewed until **August 11, 2024**.

Submit resume and cover letter to Shannon Fredebaugh-Siller at <a href="mailto:sfredebaugh@heritageconservancy.org">sfredebaugh@heritageconservancy.org</a>. Include "Environmental Educator" in the subject line.

#### **ABOUT HERITAGE CONSERVANCY**

Heritage Conservancy's **mission** is to protect and care for the **lands** of our region; to engage with and share the **history** that unfolded on these lands; and to **connect** people with both.

Heritage Conservancy is a community-based, nonprofit organization that works in partnership with communities, landowners, businesses, governments, and other mission-focused organizations to ensure that the landscapes that make our region special endure and flourish, for the benefit of both people and nature. Founded in 1958 and based in Doylestown, PA, Heritage Conservancy has worked to protect more than 16,000 acres of open space, farmland, wildlife habitat, and important watershed areas throughout Bucks and surrounding counties.

We own and manage more than 50 properties, hold conservation easements on more than 250 properties, and actively pursue habitat restoration initiatives across the region. Heritage Conservancy also holds historic preservation easements and maintains a Register of Historic Places with nearly 700 entries. In our work to connect people to the environment and history of our region, to educate, and to inspire advocacy for land and watershed protection, we interact with thousands of community members every year, including more than 2500 students.

Heritage Conservancy is committed to providing **equal employment opportunities** (EEO) to all qualified individuals without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, military service, age, sex, pregnancy, disability, genetic information, or any other characteristic protected by law.