

Job Title: Education Associate (part-time)

Department: Education and Interpretation

Reports to: Education Coordinator

Starting hourly wage: \$10.75 (up to 29 hours per week, typically 9-18 hours per week)

Typical shift hours: 9:15am-12pm or 9:15am-2:30pm

General Summary of Qualities

The Greater Cleveland Aquarium is seeking an enthusiastic, passionate, conservation-minded individual to join the education and interpretive team. The Education Associate must enjoy working with kids of all ages, love sharing their passion for science and the environment, and be able to work both individually and as part of a team. The Education Associate is primarily responsible for teaching education programs.

Responsibilities

As an Education Associate (part-time) you will:

- Facilitate guided education programs to groups including schools, daycares, homeschool families, scouts, and adults
- Lead virtual education programs through video conference technology like zoom
- Interpret galleries and exhibits for guests through engaging conversations about animals, conservation, and Aquarium operations
- Promote Aquarium initiatives at on-site and off-site outreach through interactive tabling, educational activities, and crafts
- Assist with program preparation, set up, and clean up
- Develop inquiry-based interpretation techniques
- Grow classroom management skills for program facilitation
- Co-develop programs with the education team for new curriculum and events
- Maintain, organize, and update education program supplies
- Other duties as assigned by Education Coordinator or Director of Education and Interpretation

Position Requirements

- Ability to work with people with a diverse variety of abilities and backgrounds
- Excitement for working with students
- Passion for animals and the environment
- Comfort speaking to both small groups and large audiences
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Willingness to handle ambassador animals for programs
- Ability to work weekday mornings and early afternoons, with occasional late afternoons and weekends as assigned
- Punctual and reliable
- Prior work with students in a job, camp, or similar experience is a plus
- Completed coursework in biology, environmental science, education, or similar field is a plus
- Must pass a background screening

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Physical Demands

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Frequently stand, walk, and use of hand dexterity for fine movements and handling
- Occasionally bend, stoop, crouch, and reach
- Occasionally lift and carry supplies up to 20 pounds

To Apply

The Aquarium is an equal opportunity employer. To be considered for this position, please submit resume and cover letter to Matt Debelak, Education Coordinator, mdebelak@greaterclevelandaquarium.com