Job Description
Learning Garden Educator 2013
Waltham Fields Community Farm

Waltham Fields Community Farm is looking for a Learning Garden Educator for our spring 2013 Learning Garden after-school programs, with potential for work in the summer and fall as well. Waltham Fields Community Farm (WFCF) promotes local agriculture through growing and distribution practices that are socially, ecologically, and economically sustainable. We forge relationships between people, their food supply, and the land from which it grows. We are a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization.

Our youth Learning Garden programs include spring and fall after-school and summer camp sessions for children in grades K-8, Educational Farm Visits for school and community groups; Family Programs for children ages 0-4 and their caregivers, and a new Youth Crew program employing teens in growing and selling vegetables at a local Farmers’ Market. The Learning Garden Educator teaches participants about farming and food through garden exploration, hands-on activities, and recipe preparation. The Educator position is supervised by the Education and Volunteer Coordinator (EVC) and works with both the EVC and his/her fellow educators to carry out our education programs and maintain our Learning Garden spaces.

Responsibilities:

- Work with EVC and fellow educators to prepare for programs
- Lead groups of children in educational farm activities, games, food preparation, and general farm exploration
- Maintain the Outdoor Classroom and indoor supply areas (i.e. cleaning the kitchen area thoroughly before and after each program, keeping supplies organized, etc.)
- Assist with program documentation and evaluation through photos, journals, reports and distribution/collection of end-of-program evaluation forms.
- Attend trainings and weekly education staff meetings to plan, debrief and assess programs

Qualifications:

- Experience and enthusiasm for working with children
- Knowledge of sustainable farming/gardening as well as hands-on gardening and cooking experience
- Previous experience working in the field of environmental education and/or outdoor learning environment preferred
- Friendly, creative, and self-motivated
- Current CPR/First Aid certification required (can be obtained on the job)

Time Commitment:
The Learning Garden Educator position is a part-time temporary seasonal position, from late April through the end of October. Applications will also be accepted for those who do not wish to work all three seasons. Hours vary season-to-season approximately as follows:
- Late April-mid July: 7-15hrs/week
- Mid-July - August: 20-40 hrs/week
- Late September-October: 7-15hrs/week

Compensation: $12/hr and fresh produce from the farm

To apply send your cover letter and resume to Kim Hunter, Education and Volunteer Coordinator.
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