

Prairie Loft Center for Outdoor & Agricultural Learning in Hastings, Nebraska

Prairie Loft is a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing people of all ages together through shared outdoor experiences. Our mission is to teach agriculture appreciation, outdoor education, cultural connections, and the wise use of natural resources.

PROGRAM GUIDE (Seasonal, Part-time, Hourly)

Average 10-15 hours per week in March through October. Can be extended year-round. Schedule includes weekdays, some evenings and weekends. Varies seasonally.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Program Guides work as part of a small dynamic team to develop and provide experiential programs for all ages focused on agriculture appreciation and environmental education. Duties subject to change based on qualifications and strengths.

RESPONSIBILITIES (may include, but are not limited to the following)

- Contribute to a positive, collaborative, inclusive, and passionate Prairie Loft culture
- As part of a team: Teach and facilitate summer camps, family programs, State standard-aligned field trips, and other STEM-based education activities with all ages if needed
- Assist at Springfest, Flatwater Music Festival, Harvestfest, and other Prairie Loft community events
- Assist with curriculum development and STEM-based education program planning
- Maintain high standards of customer service and hospitality
- Provide input and ideas on program development and strategic plan for the organization
- Assist with basic upkeep and maintenance of facilities/grounds

POSITION REQUIREMENTS

- Curiosity and passion to help further Prairie Loft's mission to teach agriculture appreciation, outdoor education, cultural connections, and the wise use of natural resources
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and manage work time effectively with little supervision to ensure preparedness and project completion
- Demonstrated competence in verbal and written communication, particularly the ability to present information, ideas, directions, etc. in a clear and concise manner
- Willing to work with flexibility, cooperation, and collaboration as part of a small staff team
- Ability to adjust method and approach to best serve the mission and activities of the organization
- Ability to relate with people of all ages
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation
- **Must be 16 years of age**

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience working with children of all ages
- Knowledge of experiential education, interdisciplinary curriculum, natural science, agriculture, community systems, etc.
- Familiarity with applying STEM-based theories and lessons in a variety of activities
- First aid training and certification a plus

WORKING CONDITIONS AND PHYSICAL DEMANDS

- Requires physically active work outdoors in all kinds of weather conditions
- Schedule could include evening and weekend work

- Requires frequent verbal communication

BENEFITS

- \$12-15 hourly wage based on previous experience
- Innovative, community-oriented, professional and creative work culture with a casual dress code
- Initial training period included as paid time, plus ongoing training and professional development

How to Apply

Via email, submit a letter of interest and a resume to alli@prairieloft.org.
Incomplete applications will not be considered. No phone calls, please.

Application deadline – Open until filled (posted 1.25.2024)

Before an offer of employment is made, the organization will conduct a pre-employment background investigation, which includes a criminal background check.
Prairie Loft is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE)

Organizational info: www.prairieloft.org