

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

Job Posting: Wildlife Specialist I, Full-time, Non-exempt

Position Summary: Lake Erie Nature & Science Center, a nonprofit organization located in Bay Village, seeks a Wildlife Specialist to provide daily care to resident education animals and wildlife rehabilitation patients as well as provide education to the public about native wildlife.

The Wildlife Specialist will fulfill the Center's mission, adhere to permit laws and regulations and follow procedures that reflect the values of the Center. They will educate the Center's constituents in a professional manor over the phone, through email correspondence, in person and during programs. This position requires a regular work schedule that includes weekends and occasional evening and holiday availability.

Responsibilities:

Through ongoing training and use of the Center's resources, the Wildlife Specialist is responsible for the care and treatment of Center animals as assigned. They will develop and implement animal care and wildlife rehabilitation procedures to provide the best possible care to both collection and rehabilitation animals. They will provide guidance and supervision to students and volunteers to fulfill all duties.

The Wildlife Specialist is responsible for providing education to students, volunteers, staff, program participants and the public. They will provide training to interns and service learning students to gain experience in animal care, wildlife rehabilitation and wildlife education. They will train programming staff to utilize proper handling techniques for use of education animals. They will assist with Center programs as directed, and educate the public by responding to written, phone and in person inquiries and by performing wildlife intakes in a timely and professional manner.

The Wildlife Specialist is responsible for following the schedule set by the Director of Programs and Wildlife. They are responsible for opening and closing procedures as assigned. They will be scheduled to work weekends as a part of a regular schedule and with advanced notice will be required to work occasional evenings and holidays.

Qualifications: Candidates must have 3 years' experience in animal husbandry and preferably experience in wildlife rehabilitation. A Bachelor's of Science in Biology or related field is preferred. The candidate will have excellent communication sills and the ability to multitask and prioritize job responsibilities. Technological skills including proficiency in Microsoft Office and experience working on a virtual desktop is necessary. The ideal candidate would have experience with informal science education. Experience working with youth and volunteers would be beneficial. Familiarity with mission and programs, or nonprofit experience is preferred. The candidate must maintain valid driver's license. They must be in good enough physical condition to be able to be on their feet for extended periods of time and be able to lift 50lbs.

Organization: Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is a nonprofit organization providing informal science education for children, families and people of all ages. The Center serves more than 165,000 people each year with a \$1.6 million operating budget. It is home to the only wildlife rehabilitation facility in Cuyahoga County, one of two public access planetariums in Cleveland, and a beautiful park setting near

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Lake Erie. The Center offers a distinct blend of early childhood programs, seasonal family events, school field trips, scout programs, summer camps, wildlife rehabilitation and education services, and free admission to natural history exhibits. Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is funded by private donations, program fees, and grants including Cuyahoga Arts & Culture through the residents of Cuyahoga County.

Application: Send cover letter and resume to jobs@lensc.org by June 15, 2019.

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is an equal opportunity employer.