



Soil Born Farms Urban Agriculture and Education Project

Job Title: Youth Educator

Classification: Non-exempt

Program: Youth Education

Reports To: Youth Education Manager

Job Summary

The primary responsibilities of Soil Born Farms Youth Educator is to teach youth about sustainable agriculture, environmental stewardship, nutrition, life sciences and health through school gardens and our primary Soil Born Farms American River Ranch site. Responsibilities will include leading 3-4 hour field trips and summer day camps, working with various educators, supporting interns, working collaboratively with the youth education team and using creativity to develop dynamic educational experiences. This job requires an ability to work outside in all weather, do manual labor in the garden, be flexible, creative, self-directed and have a willingness to continue learning new things.

Key Responsibilities Detail

- Teach sustainable agriculture training sessions for youth at the farm or in a school garden
- Lead nutrition education activities utilizing produce from the garden and/or farm
- Co-create supporting educational documents and materials
- Prepare for and help deliver session content for a wide age range and exposure level of students (pre kindergarten – high school)
- Collaborate on short and long-term planning
- Develop long-term systems for efficient and effective farm/garden management (planting schedules, production goals, cultivation, irrigation, materials ordering, maintenance, etc)
- Work with teachers, other staff, administrators, interns and volunteers
- Manage and engage students with various needs
- Support the collection of data for the needs of grants and funders
- Assist with maintenance of youth education spaces including vegetable gardens, native plant gardens, compost areas and chickens

Experience Required

Teaching youth on a farm/garden or in an outdoor setting • Ability to communicate effectively and positively with staff, community, and guests • Time management, prioritizing and delegating • Some understanding of organic gardening principles and practices • Understanding of non-profit work • Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with people of diverse backgrounds in various situations • Creatively think “on your feet” and “out of the box” • Demonstrated ability to safely lead and participate in physically demanding work on uneven terrain

Hours and Compensation : This position is 24-32 hours per week with the possibility of increasing to 40 hours per week. The wage will range based on experience, but start at a minimum of \$19/hr. This position requires a Tues-Sat. schedule. For a qualified, more experienced Youth Educator this position may evolve into a higher paying leadership role.

To Apply: Interested applicants should send their resume and cover letter to Shannon Hardwicke, Education Programs Manager shardwicke@soilborn.org