

The Bridge School – Job Posting

We are seeking a Wilderness Explorations Instructor for our weekly nature program at our progressive, multiage elementary school in Seattle, WA. We want an individual with a background in and passion for the outdoors/nature education who is comfortable working with multi-age groups of students.

POSITION DETAILS

Position: Wilderness Explorations Instructor (serving ages 5-10)

Location: Seahurst Park, Burien, WA

Status: Part-time, contract

Time: Wednesdays, 8:15am-3pm

Dates: Weekly on Wednesdays from September 14, 2022-May 31, 2023

(No classes Nov. 23, 2022, Dec. 21 & 28, 2022 and April 12, 2023)

(may be opportunity for additional hours throughout the school year)

Compensation: \$28/hr

Required Qualifications

- Completion of Nature Instructor Training at Wilderness Awareness School (or equivalent)
- Understanding and passion for outdoor education and whole child development
- Love and respect for children; trust in their individual learning processes
- Experience teaching multi-age classes
- Strong collaborative skills and willingness to work on a team
- Strong organizational and communication skills
- Desire and comfort in taking learning outside the classroom
- Creative thinking and problem-solving skills

WILDERNESS EXPLORATIONS AT THE BRIDGE SCHOOL

The purpose of our Wilderness Explorations program is to support the following in our students:

- Normalizing outdoor learning environments
- Increasing comfort in nature
- Supporting authentic interaction with the natural world
- Teaching how to prepare for spending extended time outside in all weather conditions
- Increasing basic knowledge of the outdoors such as identification of common plants/animals, weather patterns and outdoor/wilderness safety
- Respecting the environment/leave no trace principles

ABOUT THE BRIDGE SCHOOL

The Bridge School is a cooperative elementary school for ages 5-10 providing an education rich in exploration, community, connection to nature, interdisciplinary learning and taking learning OUTSIDE the classroom into real-world learning environments. Our mission is to provide a cooperative, multiage, progressive elementary program that fosters authentic learning through whole child development. Every child and adult in our community has a unique role to play. Teachers, administrators and parents work together to support academic and administrative functions. Please [visit our website](#) to learn more about our program.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please send us the following...

1. One page typed narrative stating why you wish to teach at The Bridge School and the strengths and skills that you would bring to our program
2. Current resume with three references
3. Copy of Nature Instructor Training (or equivalent) certification
4. Copies of teaching certificates held
5. Completed Bridge School Application (available at www.bridgeschoolcoop.org/employment)

E-mail: [hiring@bridgeschoolcoop.org](mailto: hiring@bridgeschoolcoop.org)

Snail Mail: THE BRIDGE SCHOOL / P.O. Box 48074 / Burien, WA 98148

CLOSING DATE: Open until filled

Non-Discrimination Statement:

The Bridge School is committed to a policy of equal employment opportunity. We are committed to treating all employees and applicants equally without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, citizenship, veteran or marital status, disability and all other classes protected by the law.