

Conservation Educator

The Staten Island Zoo is seeking motivated individuals to teach education programs to students age Pre-K through adult. Classes include a lesson and animal presentation centering on a topic in ecology, biology, zoology, and conservation. Programs can take place on or off Zoo grounds. Virtual classes are also conducted on-site. Additional opportunities for semester-long programming, birthday parties, and summer camp counselors available. Educators are responsible for the set-up and clean-up of the room before and after classes.

Conservation Educators are required to go through a training period where they will learn how to handle the Zoo's ambassador animals and become proficient with our lesson plans. The length of training is individualized as everyone progresses at different rates. There is a stipend for training paid once the individual teaches their first class.

Part-time. Flexible schedule. Mostly weekdays, some weekends available. Ideal for college students, post-graduate students, and part-time workers.

\$30 per class on site \$105 for up to 3 classes off site, \$35 per additional class off-site

It is the responsibility of the instructor to report their income when filing taxes, as taxes will not be taken out of pay.

Qualifications

- Must have or be pursuing a degree in education, zoology, animal science, conservation studies, or a related science **OR** equivalent experience.
- Must be able to confidently handle of a variety of live animals including non-venomous snakes and other reptiles, invertebrates, and small mammals.
- Ability to conduct lessons in environmental education, basic ecology, zoology and conservation.
- Classroom management skills.
- Valid Driver's License and willingness to travel to schools using zoo vehicle to conduct classes at schools preferred, but not necessary.

To apply: Email cover letter and resume to <u>education@statenislandzoo.org</u>

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