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Education & Programs Manager

The River Discovery Center is hiring an Education & Programs Manager to help grow educational and public programming for students, families, adults, schools, and community partners.

Paducah, Kentucky

Fulltime

Overview

The River Discovery Center connects people to the history, science, culture, and work of America's rivers. We are looking for a creative, motivated educator who can turn river history, science, exhibits, current events, and timely topics into engaging programs for all ages.

This person will work directly with teachers and school leaders to create programs that support classroom learning, align with Kentucky Academic Standards, and make RDC a strong education partner for schools across the region.

RDC is a small, growing museum with a small team, so everyone pitches in. This role is for someone who is ready to build, try new ideas, roll up their sleeves, and help create something lasting.

What you will do

- Develop and lead school programs, camps, family programs, adult programs, and community learning experiences.
- Build relationships with teachers, schools, homeschool groups, and community partners.
- Create hands-on programs connected to river history, science, ecology, transportation, the working river, and river-related careers.
- Align school programs with Kentucky Academic Standards.
- Help market programs to schools, families, and community groups.
- Support museum events, exhibits, visitor experience, setup, cleanup, outreach, and day-to-day needs.

What we are looking for

- Experience developing or leading educational programs.
- Experience working with schools, teachers, students, families, or community partners.
- Strong writing, communication, organization, and public speaking skills.
- Creativity, initiative, flexibility, and a team-first mindset.
- Willingness to work occasional evenings and weekends.
- Ability to lift and carry program materials and help with event/program setup.

A bachelor's degree in education, museum studies, history, science, environmental education, communications, public history, nonprofit management, or a related field is preferred. Equivalent professional experience will also be considered.

Position Details

Title: Education & Programs Manager

Location: River Discovery Center, Paducah, Kentucky

Type: Full time

Reports to: Executive Director

How to apply

Please send a resume and brief cover letter to launius@riverdiscoverycenter.org with Education & Programs Manager as the subject line.

Applications will be reviewed as they are received.

The River Discovery Center is an equal opportunity employer.