



## **Job Announcement: Teacher Naturalist - Summer Camp**

**Location:** Billings, MT 59101

**Salary:** \$14.00/hr

**Position Status:** Part-time temporary or regular, avg 30 hrs/week (hours may vary between 20-40 hrs/week), occasional evenings and weekends

**Start Date:** June 3rd to August 7th - possibility for earlier start date and/or extension

**Application deadline:** April 30, 2024 (or until positions are filled)

### **Position Description**

As a whole at the Montana Audubon Center, Teacher Naturalists form the core program staff. Summer Camp Teacher Naturalists are responsible for the creation and implementation of hands-on, nature-connected education at our 54-acre site, adjacent to the Yellowstone River. Participant ages range from pre-K to 9th grade: Tinies (3-5 year olds), Littles (K-2nd grade), Middles (3rd - 5th grade), and Olders (6th-9th grade). Summer Camp Teacher Naturalists may be needed to assist in other program areas. Summer Camp Teacher Naturalists must be comfortable leading and managing groups of campers in the outdoors and helping them connect with the natural world.

- Can be used for academic credit or internship hours (approval of institution needed)
- Housing not provided.

### **Major Responsibilities**

- I. Program Implementation (80%)
  - Supervise, guide, and engage participants in exploration of the outdoors.
  - Develop and implement curriculum for weekly themed camps
  - Provide a safe and positive environment for all program participants, including awareness of physical abilities, environmental hazards, and group dynamics.

- Maintain high quality programming, including regular evaluation of both successes and failures in programming, approach, equipment, or other aspects, and enhance or adapt as necessary.
2. Communication (10%)
    - Communicate with parents/guardians about the camper's experience.
    - Regularly communicate with the program coordinator(s) and supervisor.
    - Communicate with parents/guardians, supervisors, other Audubon Staff, and the general public about Audubon Center programs and mission.
  3. General/Admin (10%)
    - Assistance in other Audubon Center programming, administration, and facility needs as required.
    - Complete office tasks in a timely manner.
    - Keep calendar up to date and manage work place hours.
    - Participate in daily, weekly, and seasonal cleaning/maintenance procedures to keep everything in working order.
    - Co-teach and collaborate with other staff members.

### **Qualifications**

- Must be 18 years or older.
- Able to work independently and collaboratively as a team.
- Ability to stand, walk, and engage participants during outdoor programming in a variety of weather conditions for an extended period of time.
- Comfortable working with youth ages 3-14.
- Have some experience working with children
- Preferred experience in place-based, inquiry learning, nature-based or natural interpretive programming or similar education pedagogies.
- Interest and/or specific knowledge of natural history subjects and willingness to learn about specific area.
- Responsible, dependable, self-motivated and enthusiastic.

**To Apply**

Please send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references to Hannah Finch, Youth Programs Coordinator at [hfinch@mtaudubon.org](mailto:hfinch@mtaudubon.org) with the subject line “Teacher Naturalist - Summer Camp”. For questions, contact Hannah via email or call 406-294-5099.

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