



Farm School Program Assistant

Seasonal Relief Staff - Contract

Job Title:	Farm School Program Assistant
Start Date:	April 29th, 2019
End date:	October 25th, 2019
Supervisor:	Farm School Coordinator
Wage:	\$17hr (hours ranging from 22.5 hours per week)

Scope of Work

Black Creek Community Farm is looking for an experienced, passionate, and creative outdoor educator to support our Farm School programs. BCCF's Farm School programs are centered in fostering environmental stewardship through hands-on learning, nurturing self-esteem and confidence by empowering participants to take ownership of their learning, while promoting a healthy and active lifestyle. This is a relief, seasonal position. Hours may vary.

Responsibilities

- Be available on call Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 3:30pm primarily
- May require availability on some weekend and evening shifts
- Lead engaging activities with student groups, parents/caregivers, and their children
- Assist with set-up & clean-up of activities
- Co-facilitate programming for visiting groups in a wide age range
- Assist with planning and facilitating engaging and age appropriate activities
- Coordinate and prep for field trips, workshops, and activities delivered on-site and off-site. For example: schools, parenting centres, high schools
- Work closely with Farm School staff and volunteers to maintain the children and youth gardens. Seeding, planting, watering, weeding, and harvesting.
- Assist with Black Creek Community Farm events such as Farm Festival and Earth Day when needed

- Work collaboratively with volunteers, student interns, and staff to deliver engaging and effective programming
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications

- Demonstrated ability to work with children and youth in an outdoor setting
- Demonstrated ability to promote positive social interactions and relationships amongst children, youth, their peers, and the adults in their lives
- Passionate about: teaching children and youth, nutrition, sustainable agriculture, food justice and food security
- Strong knowledge of the Jane and Finch Community
- Demonstrated ability to work respectfully with people of different ages, genders, abilities, cultural backgrounds, and individuals who have experienced marginalization
- Strong communication and organizational skills
- Confidence to plan and facilitate workshops and activities independently
- Experience teaching others to cook
- Recent vulnerable sector screening required
- Standard First Aid - Level C
- Gardening or farming experience an asset
- Early Childhood Education background an asset
- Food Handler's Certificate an asset

The BCCF Farm School Program Assistant position includes:

- Working outdoors in all kinds of weather (heat, sun, rain, cold)
- Repetitive tasks such as bending, crouching, and reaching
- Full shifts standing and working on your feet
- Use of hand tools
- Some lifting 10 - 40lbs

TO APPLY: Please send your resume and cover letter to hiring@blackcreekfarm.ca by April 12th, 2019 with the subject line: **Farm School Program Assistant**. FoodShare Toronto is a Supportive Partner of Black Creek Community Farm.

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Please note that only candidates selected for the interview process will be contacted.