



Pali Outdoor Educators Job Description

Program Description: Pali Institute is an Outdoor Education School located in the beautiful San Bernardino Mountains between Lake Arrowhead and Big Bear Lake in Southern California. Our program works with school-aged students every Monday - Friday throughout the school year and teaches students in an outdoor setting about the wonders of science, environmental ethics, and teambuilding/leadership skills. We hire enthusiastic outdoor-minded instructors ready to live and work in the woods.

Job Description: Pali Institute is seeking committed and enthusiastic educators to work at our outdoor education school. We are a newer outdoor school working hard to develop an exciting outdoor curriculum for students in grades 4-12th. Pali Instructors teach different students every week in a variety of classes within the disciplines of explorations in science, outdoor studies, and leadership training courses. Pali strives to be an excellent educational supplement to classroom based education and is proud to meet many California State Standards with our science curriculum. We discuss a broad array of topics from engineering and geology, forest ecology and outdoor cooking. Use an earthquake seismology simulator to test student's engineering towers they build. Take a five-mile hike to Deep Creek as you discuss forest ecology and build shelters related to our wilderness survival class. Make quesadillas and teach children how to cook in the outdoors. Teach children about animal ecology with the help of our animals in the nature center. Look for macro invertebrates and then micro invertebrates as you teach our freshwater biology program. Encourage and belay students on our two large ropes courses that include a giant swing and zip line as well as a rock wall. When the sun goes down, warm up by the campfire as you perform Pali famous skits or turn up the music as the students perform karaoke. Do you like to look at the night sky? You will have the opportunity to gaze into the night as you teach about stars and planets using our telescopes. By the end of the week, you will look back at the rewards of working with children and teaching in the outdoors. Most weeks our instructors teach an activity group during the day and take on the role of cabin instructor with general cabin responsibilities at night.

Qualifications: Bachelor's Degree in Education, Science, Environmental Studies, or related field, preferable with coursework in recreation, science, and education. Must have the keen ability to quickly learn and teach the natural history of the San Bernardino Mountains. Must be able to understand the California State Education al Standards for elementary, middle, and high school. Holds the ability to use creative teaching techniques and group management skills. Positive attitude and work ethic is a must, teamwork skills, excellent and written and oral communication skills are necessary. Fingerprinting/Background Check and First Aid/CPR certification are required upon hire. Lifeguard certification is highly desirable, but not required. Essential Functions: You must have the ability to lead students on a hike. Must use creative teaching methods with

students in an outdoor setting. Must be able to observe student behavior in both large and small groups and take appropriate disciplinary steps. Ability to lead nature lessons, including an evening campfire program with songs, skits, and stories.

Season: Pali operates during the school year on a nine-month basis from late August 2007 – early June 2008.

Hours: This is a full-time seasonal position with hours scheduled according to group attendance and additional duties assigned by the Director. Must be able to work a flexible schedule.

Program Type: Pali is a Residential School Program.

Salary: \$75 per day in cabin or \$55 during smaller weeks when you may live out of cabin. Master's Degree and/or Teaching Certificate considered for extra pay.

Benefits: Pali pays 75% of health benefits after 90 days employment

Housing: Educators live on-site in cabins responsible for up to eleven students Monday-Friday and are provided generous off-site housing accommodation on weekends.

Medical: yes

Dental: yes

Vision: optional

Deadline: Open Until Filled

Available: Pali programs runs with the school year calendar and we look for candidates willing to commit for at least one school year. Short-term contract considerations are available on an as needed basis. All potential candidates must be able to attend the full staff training.

Comments: Apply early as our instructor positions fill quickly. We do take applications for future seasons and don't hesitate to call for an in person interview or tour if you are in the Southern California region.

Procedure: Familiarize yourself with our program and the job by examining the Pali Institute website, or by giving us a call. If you then decide to apply please email Resume, Cover letter, and References to director@paliinstitute.com

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