

# Nature Academy

## Class Assistant

### (Volunteer)

Hamilton Office | 621 Barton St. E. Hamilton, ON

Cedar Haven Eco-Centre | 1039 Regional Rd. 97, Freelon, ON

#### SUMMARY OF PRIMARY JOB FUNCTIONS

A Rocha Ontario's *Nature Academy* promotes ecological literacy, identity and responsibility through immersive nature education to foster healthy relationships with the earth that last a lifetime.

Class Assistants will help facilitate nature and science education for children in one of the following grade levels: Clouds (JK-SK), Dreys (Gr. 1-2), Sleuths (Gr. 3-4), Kettles (Gr. 5-6), Parleys (Gr. 7-8). Class Assistant will also aid the lead Educator in class management and material preparation.

*Nature Academy* is hosted at the *Cedar Haven Eco-Centre* in Freelon, ON.

#### IDEAL CANDIDATE

The ideal candidate has a experience in childcare, education, and/or nature interpretation. This individual should be comfortable working with young kids of varying ages and abilities and able to facilitate accessible, hands-on learning experiences for all students.

#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

##### **Program Facilitation (90%)**

- Assist in daily lessons and activities that promote ecological literacy, identity and responsibility.
- Foster wonder and curiosity through personal engagement with class.
- Assist in class management and supervision.
- Ensure the safety of each student and follow the Cedar Haven safety protocols.

##### **Sign-In/Sign-Out (5%)**

- Welcome parents/guardians and students during sign-in/sign-out with warmth and respect.
- Ensure all students sign-out with approved parents/guardians.

##### **Orientation & Daily Review (5%)**

- Attend staff orientation day before the program start.
- Attend staff debrief meetings (after each class).

#### QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

- Experience working with children.
- A passion for the natural world
- Embodies A Rocha Canada's Commitments and Core Values
- Exhibits a spirit of humility
- Flexible and able to adapt to changing situations
- Vulnerable Sector Check required

#### HOURS OF WORK & COMPENSATION

- Workweek: Nature Academy runs for 8 hours/week (one day each week), for 10 weeks. Consistent volunteer commitment will be prioritized.
  - Specific terms and session dates can be found at [www.arocho.ca/nature-academy](http://www.arocho.ca/nature-academy).
- Wages: This is a volunteer position.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, please email your resume and cover letter to [nature.academy@arocha.ca](mailto:nature.academy@arocha.ca).