



Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory Seeks Summer 2019 Youth Program Instructors

The Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory (RMBL), founded in 1928 is an independent, high-altitude biological field station near Crested Butte, Colorado. Our primary mission is to advance the deep scientific understanding of nature that promotes informed stewardship of the earth. RMBL provides scientists access to diverse habitats, research and education infrastructure, a collaborative and internationally recognized scientific community, and a broad base of knowledge founded in long-term research about the ecology of mountain environments. RMBL provides programs to students from kindergarten through post doctorate.

Position Description

- Teach as part of a team of educators that lead daily, science and nature awareness programs for participants in K-2nd grade (Nature Camp) and/or 3rd-5th grade (Science Camp) at RMBL's field station in Gothic and on surrounding public lands.
- Design, prepare and instruct age appropriate, multi-disciplinary, hands-on, student-centered, inquiry-based science and nature awareness programs that incorporate the arts, elements of engineering design, and the practices of field research.
- Attend weekly staff meetings which include curriculum planning sessions and help to create, improve and document curriculum for RMBL's youth programs.
- Meet the teaching team at the 4 way bus stop in Crested Butte each morning to greet the parents and chaperone the children on the bus to and from Gothic (25 minutes north of Crested Butte).
- Prepare, set up and clean up from camp activities and help to create and maintain program props and supplies.
- Clean and maintain the Youth Science Center and outdoor teaching spaces.
- Use positive behavior management strategies and follow safe risk management guidelines.
- Assist with fostering learning experiences between RMBL scientists and camp participants and support youth research activities that contribute to the overall research efforts of RMBL.
- Assist with special events such as RMBL's open house and the Youth Programs End of Summer Celebration Night.

Compensation and Schedule

- June 3, 2019 to August 9, 2019; Week Days, 8:15am to 3:15pm or 5:15pm (and some additional plan/prep hours)
- \$12.50-\$14.50 per hour DOE; 8-40 hours per week (depending on the number of days you want to work)
- RMBL does NOT provide housing or meals to Youth Program Instructors (Housing may be found in Crested Butte, Gunnison and the surrounding areas, but affordable housing is scarce; camping is an option).

Qualifications

- Positive, warm, energetic, kind, creative and enthusiastic team player
- Experience teaching or guiding youth and a love for working with children of all ages
- A working knowledge of environmental science and Rocky Mountain ecosystems
- Experience designing and leading experiential, project based, and/or outdoor learning activities
- Undergraduate degree or currently taking college classes in science, biology, ecology, environmental education or any STEM related field
- Background check, 1st Aid and CPR certification (WFA or WFR preferred)
- Ability to hike 8 miles round trip starting at an elevation of 9,500ft and the ability to lift 50 lbs.
- Excellent customer service skills with the ability to be responsible and FUN!

To Apply

Please submit a cover letter, resume and list of three references to ann@rmbll.org. Please mention which grades of students you would like to teach. Interviews will begin in February and continue until all positions are filled. For more information, please contact Ann Colbert, Youth Programs Manager, 970-901-1395 or ann@rmbll.org. Thank you!

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