



Rochester Museum & Science Center
Curiosity Camps 2021

Position: Curiosity Camps Instructor (part-time, seasonal); Mini and Almost Camps

As a Mini and Almost Camps Instructor, you are responsible for planning and implementing themed, week-long summer camp sessions for children ages 2-7. As the leader of your classroom's teaching team, you are responsible for establishing best practices in classroom management and project facilitation, providing delegation, guidance, and support for Curiosity Camps Assistants and Youth Volunteers.

Mini Camps include camps for ages 2-3, 3-4, and 4-5. Almost Camps are for ages 5-7. Our 2-3 camps (called 2-3 Family Camps) are designed for campers and their caregivers to explore and learn together, requiring experience and comfort working directly with caregivers.

Responsibilities:

- Teach and supervise campers for the duration of the camp day.
- Implement educational programs and activities. You will facilitate hands-on learning experiences, referencing a given lesson plan and adapting based on campers' needs and interests.
- Use best practices in classroom management so that campers are safe, welcomed, and inspired to learn and explore.
- Understand, follow, and enforce all RMSC procedures and guidelines related to health, safety, and emergencies. This includes (but is not limited to) being responsible for and closely monitoring all campers, Assistants, and Youth Volunteers and following all health and safety policies (e.g., daily cleaning procedures).
- Identify and respond to campers' medical/behavioral needs, reporting and referring to Camp Administration, as necessary.
- Keep accurate records regarding the following: attendance, medical/behavioral concerns, accidents/injuries, and program evaluations.
- Facilitate check-in and check-out, during which you will communicate and connect with campers and their families, answer questions, and gather paperwork, information, and medicine.
- Work with Curiosity Camps and Youth Volunteers, modeling best practices and providing support and direction.
- Attend all Curiosity Camps meetings, training sessions, and workshops.
- Maintain a clean, organized camp classroom, communicating needs with Camp Administration in a timely, effective manner.
- Participate in off-season programming (e.g., February Break, April Break) and new events (e.g., Curiosity Campout).
- Complete other duties as assigned.

**Qualifications:**

- Must possess a bachelor's degree in education, science, history, technology, art, engineering, or another related field.
- Must have experience working in an educational setting (formal or informal) and facilitating planned programming with children between ages 2-7.
- Must have an outgoing personality, enjoy interacting with children, and possess a love for lifelong learning.
- Must have strong leadership and communication skills.
- Must be able to effectively correspond via email.
- Must frequently move classroom supplies and equipment, weighing up to 25 lbs.
- Must host programs for extended periods of time (standing and sitting) and frequently move around the classroom and the RMSC campus.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in education or early childhood education.
- Experience developing, implementing, and evaluating hands-on, child-directed curriculum.
- Experience facilitating programs for children and their caregivers together.
- Familiarity with a summer camp setting, museums and informal education, and the Rochester Museum & Science Center.
- CPR and first aid certification or a willingness to become certified.

Work Conditions:

- Curiosity Camps Instructors are required to submit at least three weeks of availability during the summer season (June 28 - August 27). During scheduled weeks, Instructors work from 8 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, with an unpaid lunch. Weekends are not required.
- Curiosity Camps take place in-person at the Rochester Museum & Science Center (657 East Avenue, Rochester, NY 14607).
- Training will take place during the week before camp and continue throughout the summer. All staff and volunteers are expected to attend.
- Instructors will be provided with all lesson plans, supplies, and support needed to provide a positive experience for all campers.
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Please submit resume and cover letter to: dlavell@rmsc.org

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