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<b>Position/Title:</b>	<b>Part-Time Environmental Educators For Afterschool Program at Queens, Brooklyn, and Staten Island</b>
<b>Start Date:</b>	<b>Immediately</b>
	<b>36 weeks at 17.5 hours per week. Plus up to 100 hours of planning, professional development and supervision throughout the school year</b>
<b>Salary:</b>	<b>Competitive Hourly Rates</b>
<b>Application Deadline:</b>	<b>Open until filled.</b>
<b>Contact:</b>	<b>Please send resume and cover letter to <a href="mailto:education@cityparksfoundation.org">education@cityparksfoundation.org</a></b>

### **POSITION SUMMARY**

City Parks Foundation (CPF) is the only independent, non-profit organization to offer programs in parks throughout the five boroughs of New York City. CPF works in over 700 parks citywide, presenting a broad range of free arts, sports and education programs and helping citizens to support their parks on a local level. Our programs and community-building initiatives reach more than 600,000 New Yorkers each year, contributing to the revitalization of neighborhoods throughout New York City.

This is an exciting time of growth for CPF Education. For over 20 years, CPF Education has promoted experiential learning in environmental science and media arts, connecting kids to parklands as learning laboratories. In 2013, CPF Education developed a comprehensive strategic plan. Our vision is to foster year-round, long-term engagement of youth from targeted, high-needs communities.

As part of this vision, Teen PASS (Parks, Arts, Science and Sports), a new comprehensive afterschool program for early adolescents, was launched at three sites in Brooklyn, Manhattan and Staten Island. CPF is seeking part-time educators with a background in science, sports and the arts (media, performing and visual) for the Teen PASS program.

### **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Teen PASS combines instruction in environmental science, gardening, healthy living, media arts (and other artforms) and homework help. Each Educator instructs Clubs in their content area, which connect kids to the parks in meaningful, engaging ways. The clubs encourage youth to explore and interpret the natural world as both scientists, artists and healthy citizens. All activities promote positive youth development alongside the development of creativity and academic skills. The part-time Educators report to the Program Manager for the site, who reports to the Director of Youth Development.

The Environmental Educator works on-site at one of our afterschool program site (located in Queens, Brooklyn, and Staten Island), teaching Monday - Friday, from 2:30-6:00pm. The Environmental Educator instructs 15 youth in homework help and runs an afterschool Environmental Science Club(s), two days per week, each with 15 students. The Clubs include indoor and outdoor education experiences. Weekly "Fieldwork Fridays" take students outdoors for service learning and physical activities such as hiking.

In addition to 15 hours of direct instruction per week, throughout employment at CPF, the Environmental Educators will participate in:

- Up to eight six-hour planning sessions to develop lessons and reflect on student work
- Six CPF Education staff meetings (two hours each) which focus on skills and knowledge development in education and youth development
- Two offsite professional development workshops in science, education or youth development (of your choosing)
- Up to two hours of supervision each week (group and individual)
- Three "Service Saturdays" that engages youth and their families in projects such as street tree care or composting.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Work with the Program Manager and other frontline educators to implement curricula, lessons and provide assessment for the afterschool program.
- Assist with homework help where needed.
- Plan and lead sequential activities.
- Collaborate with other educators at the site to align curricula.
- Participate in planning and implementation of events such as Fieldwork Fridays and Service Saturdays.
- Continually investigate best practices through your own professional development.
- Participate in staff meetings, trainings, and events as required.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

- Bachelor's Degree in Education, Environmental Science, Media Arts, Arts, Sports, or related field required.
- Min. of 2 years teaching in informal, afterschool or summer settings.
- Direct experience working with early adolescents.
- Demonstrated ability to construct and deliver experiential learning for adolescents with diverse abilities.
- Experience teaching outdoors with ability and willingness to do so in heat, cold, light rain, etc.
- Experience with curriculum development and tracking student learning.
- Deep commitment to positive youth development.
- Valid driver's license a plus.
- Self starter with positive, can-do attitude and ability to communicate effectively.
- Willingness to work some weekends on an irregular basis.

- Bilingual a strong plus.

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This position will be working in one to three after school sites managed by City Parks Foundation. A few hours for administrative duties may be occasionally required at our education offices located at 1234 Fifth Avenue in Central Park's beautiful Arsenal North building. This part-time, seasonal position offers no benefits. City Parks Foundation is a collegial, mission-focused organization that values its employees and encourages professional growth and advancement.

**CONTACT**

Interested parties should email cover letter, and resume to: [Education@cityparksfoundation.org](mailto:Education@cityparksfoundation.org). Put title of position in subject header.

Thank you for your interest in City Parks Foundation, an equal opportunity employer. Only potential candidates will be contacted. No calls, please.