



Tideline Program Educator

Hudson River Sloop Clearwater is a member-supported non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve and protect the Hudson River, its tributaries and related bodies of water. As an organization, Clearwater works to provide innovative environmental programs, advocacy, and celebrations designed to inspire, educate and activate the next generation of environmental leaders.

The Tideline program is a multi-disciplinary program that explores all the different aspects of our estuary. The goal of the program is to connect students with their local environment, to challenge them to understand how our daily lives affect the estuary, and to teach them how to become an active citizen to protect the environment. The program consists of hands-on learning stations that include going fishing with a seine net, examining and identifying the fish we catch, an aquatic macroinvertebrates station, navigation, water quality testing, and art projects. Our programs also include music as an element.

We are currently hiring part-time educators for this land-based education program conducted at Esopus Meadows Preserve and other locations along the river. Hours will be part-time and the schedule will depend on student numbers, time of year, and program demand. Therefore, flexibility is key. Our busiest time of year is April-June, and mid-September to late October (virtually every weekday for those months).

Educators will be paid an hourly wage of \$14-\$17 depending on experience. Staff usually arrives around 9AM to set up for students and is finished by 3PM, if not earlier.

Responsibilities include:

- Setting up station components (tanks, nets, waders, station materials)
- Delivering program (learning stations, music, crowd control)
- Routine clean-up after program (putting away gear, cleaning of area)
- Equipment maintenance or other duties to sustain program
- Taking part in staff training
- Transportation to and from program (programs take place at multiple locations on the river)

Qualifications that will aid in meeting the challenges of the position include:

- A high degree of self-motivation and ability to work independently, tempered by cooperative spirit and the ability to take direction from Tideline program director; flexibility; tact; patience; and organizational ability.
- Competent knowledge of freshwater and estuarine ecology and natural history, plus related environmental issues.
- Ability to present educational programs and/or workshops;
- Excellent oral communications skills;
- Must be able to lift and move 50lbs
- Prior experience in education, or working with children
- Musical skills are a plus
- Willing to submit to background check

Clearwater acknowledges that the construct of race disproportionately affects Black, Indigenous, and People of Color. We reflect and take action to ensure that we do not perpetuate white supremacy. Clearwater respects LGBTQIA+ people; we use language and actions that are respectful of all gender identities and sexual orientations. Clearwater celebrates and welcomes members of any race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or identity, physical or mental ability or age to apply.

Interested applicants should contact Eli Schloss at eli@clearwater.org.