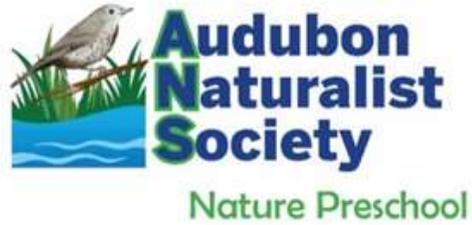


## **Forest Kindergarten Teacher Audubon Nature Preschool**



We seek an enthusiastic teacher for Audubon Nature Preschool's Forest Kindergarten. Join a welcoming community committed to helping children find the joy of wonder. We seek a strong candidate with experience teaching preschool and kindergarten-aged children, a love of nature, and a desire to help children learn about and connect with the environment. Our play-based, emergent curriculum requires teachers who are active and comfortable exploring the outdoors in all types of weather. Flexibility, reliability, and organization are key to the role. The Forest Kindergarten is located at the Woodend Nature Sanctuary in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Audubon Naturalist Society is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

### **Qualifications**

- A degree in education or an education-related field
- All State of Maryland requirements for a Lead Teacher
- CPR/First Aid Certified (or the ability to become within 1 month of hire)
- At least three years of experience working with young children
- Must pass FBI and State of Maryland Background Check

### **Physical Requirements**

- Ability to lift up to 40 pounds
- Ability to climb stairs and to hike on uneven terrain
- Comfort exploring the outdoors in all types of weather

### **Desired Qualities**

- Experience with natural history in the DC region
- Outgoing and friendly
- Flexible and reliable
- Organized and able to multitask
- Excellent communication skills

### **Essential Responsibilities**

- Create engaging and meaningful outdoor experiences for children ages 4 to 6
- Collaborate with a team to further develop our school's nature-based curriculum
- Interact, guide and play with children at their physical level
- Engage in positive, instructive interactions with parents
- Be familiar with Creative Curriculum, Responsive Classroom, Multiple Intelligences, Play-based learning, and Emergent curriculum
- Design activities that are child-initiated, and cover physical, social/emotional, linguistic, and cognitive development
- Generate weekly lesson plans that focus on students' interests
- Lead informal outdoor hikes and explorations for students and families

**General Schedule**

This is a salaried exempt teaching position. Audubon Nature Preschool teachers work 38 hours weekly during 9-months from late August to early June.

**Pay**

Commensurate with experience

**How to Apply**

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Please send a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three references by email to at [OaksTeacherSearch@gmail.com](mailto:OaksTeacherSearch@gmail.com).