

**Job Description**  
**Learning Garden Educator 2018**  
**Waltham Fields Community Farm**



Waltham Fields Community Farm is looking for Learning Garden Educator for our spring 2018 Learning Garden after-school programs, with potential for work in the summer and fall as well. Waltham Fields Community Farm (WFCF) promotes local agriculture through growing and distribution practices that are socially, ecologically, and economically sustainable. We forge relationships between people, their food supply, and the land from which it grows. We are a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization.

Our youth Learning Garden programs include spring and fall after-school, as well as summer camp sessions for children in grades 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> (Garden Explorers) and 4-8<sup>th</sup> (Farmer for a Week), educational Farm Visits for school and community groups; Family Programs for children ages 2-4 and their caregivers, a 4H club for high school and middle school students, and a Youth Crew program employing teens in growing and selling vegetables. The Learning Garden Summer Educators work together to develop lessons, teach participants about farming and food through garden exploration, engage participants in hands-on activities and recipe preparation. The Educator position is supervised by the Education Programs and Community Outreach Manager (EPCOM) and works with both the EPCOM and his/her fellow educators to carry out our education programs and maintain our Learning Garden spaces.

**Responsibilities:**

- Work with EPCOM and fellow educators to prepare for programs
- Lead groups of children in organic vegetable gardening, educational games and activities, food preparation, and general farm exploration
- Maintain the Outdoor Classroom and indoor supply areas (i.e. cleaning the kitchen area thoroughly before and after each program, keeping supplies organized, etc.)
- Assist with program documentation and evaluation through photos, journals, reports and distribution/collection of end-of-program evaluation forms.
- Attend trainings and weekly education staff meetings to plan, debrief and assess programs

**Qualifications:**

- Experience and enthusiasm for working with children
- Knowledge of sustainable farming/gardening as well as hands-on gardening and cooking experience
- Previous experience working in the field of environmental education and/or outdoor learning environment preferred
- Friendly, creative, and self-motivated
- Current CPR/First Aid certification required (can be obtained on the job)

**Time Commitment:**

Learning Garden Educator positions are a part-time temporary seasonal. Ideal candidates can work from late April through the end of October, however applications will also be accepted for those who aren't able to work all three seasons. Hours vary season-to-season approximately as follows:

- Late April-June: 7/week, as needed
- Early July - August: 30-40 hrs/week
- Late September-October: 7-15hrs/week

**Compensation:** \$15/hr and fresh produce from the farm

To apply send your cover letter and resume to Alexandra Lennon-Simon, Education and Outreach Coordinator.  
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