

Greensboro Children's Museum

Edible Schoolyard Chef Educator & Kitchen Manager

Position Description

This position is responsible for leading and coordinating all aspects of the cooking school at The Edible Schoolyard at GCM. The person will design and execute cooking classes for children and adults, manage the kitchen schedule, coordinate outside instructors for cooking classes, and participate in garden-based lessons. ESY includes a half-acre garden exhibit and cooking school working to connect children and families to their food, the earth, and each other.

Reports to: The Edible Schoolyard & Education Director

Position Status: Full-time, Exempt

Schedule: Seasonal, times may vary

September – May Tuesday – Saturday. 8:30am – 5:30pm

June – August Monday – Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm

Roles and Responsibilities

Curriculum and Teaching

- Design, conduct, and evaluate kitchen/garden lessons and activities for guests of all ages
- Independently lead cooking classes for children and adults
- Conduct and evaluate field trips that incorporate STEAM education and academic standards in the garden exhibit
- Design and lead weekly day-camps for children ages 4 -14yrs, June - August
- Conduct schedule and unscheduled tours of the kitchen and garden
- Mentor and train GCM staff, interns, and volunteers to be involved with programming and activities

Kitchen Management

- Coordinate the scheduling of kitchen activities and events with GCM operations staff
- Cultivate relationships with community and corporate partners to increase kitchen programming
- Manage budgets for grants, sponsorships pertaining to kitchen curriculum or as assigned
- Maintain the kitchen classroom and pantry areas to ensure the facility is clean, safe, and welcoming
- Develop and maintain safety standards for food handling, equipment operation, other general kitchen procedures
- Conduct pantry inventories and procure food, equipment, and supplies as needed.
- Work with Development Director to coordinate requests for in-kind donations.
- Mentor and train Assistant Teachers, interns, and volunteers to be involved with programming and activities



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Communication and Connectedness

- Work with all GCM staff to ensure effective team-based work.
- Participate in off-site activities to increase food awareness and promote ESY programs.
- Write copy for marketing materials.

Other Duties

Aside from the aforementioned roles and responsibilities, all GCM staff members are asked to provide assistance when needed to support the GCM team in furthering its mission of promoting learning through play. This may include, but is not limited to: providing back-up on other GCM programming, sitting on ad hoc committees for events, and relationship building.

Qualifications

- Sincere appreciation for work in environmental education and edible education and commitment to local food and the seed to table philosophy
- Able to demonstrate knowledge of NC Piedmont growing conditions and seasonality - gardening experience preferred
- Teaching experience
- Experience teaching group cooking classes to children and adults
- Bachelors degree in a related field or commensurate training in culinary education
- Strong collaborative experience
- Demonstrated creative problem solving skills
- Ability to work and multi-task within an active museum environment

Physical Requirements

- Constantly moves about the Museum to access kitchen, offices and program spaces
- Must use hands/fingers to demonstrate kitchen and gardening techniques such as (but not limited to) cutting, chopping, planting, weeding, etc.
- Constantly operates a computer and other office productivity machinery, such as a calculator, copy machine, and computer printer
- Frequently communicates with students, teachers, parents and staff. Must be able to exchange accurate information during these interactions
- Must be able to read small print
- Frequently moves soil and ingredients weighing up to 30 pounds from parking lot to kitchen or garden

Compensation

A compensation package will be discussed with the final candidate at the end of the interview process.

To apply, email a letter of interest and resume to Stephanie Ashton at sashton@gcmuseum.com.

Position is open until filled.

Final candidates will be asked to give written permission for the Museum to conduct a criminal background check.



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