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Job Title: Historic Educator

Location: Colonial Pennsylvania Farmstead, Ridley Creek State Park, Media, PA 19063

Starting Pay: \$15 per hour

Time Commitment: Part Time, seasonal: *At least two weekdays (up to 2pm) per week for Spring season (mid-March through early June) and Fall season (late September through November); intermittent weekend hours for Scout programs and events; part-time hours for CPF summer camps, late June through early August, if desired and able.*

Benefits: Historic Educators are seasonal, part-time employees without traditional benefits. Training in 18th century historic skills and trades, such as farming, spinning, hearth cooking, and blacksmithing is provided. Educators are required to wear 18th century attire (except for assistance with summer camps). Clothing is provided as needed.

About Colonial Pennsylvania Farmstead: Colonial Pennsylvania Farmstead (CPF) is an 18th century living history farm that interprets everyday life in Southeastern Pennsylvania during the time period 1760-1790 through historic skills demonstrations, programming, workshops, and events.

Description: CPF seeks engaging, passionate, and dedicated individuals for part-time, seasonal work (see time commitment description above.) Historic Educators are the principal staff members for CPF's immersive and participatory educational program offerings including school field trips, outreach to schools and public sites, and Scout programs, as well as summer camps if desired and able. The site is an approximately 112-acre actively working historic farm and staff must be comfortable working outdoors in all weather conditions. Must be comfortable walking on uneven terrain, navigating historic buildings, including narrow staircases, and standing for long periods of time.

Key Responsibilities:

- Present a variety of educational programs for diverse audiences including PreK-12 grade students, educators, and adult groups.
- Engage visiting school students and teachers in 18th century history, life, and skills.
- Master, demonstrate, and teach a variety of historic skills.
- Provide a welcoming, encouraging, and enjoyable learning environment.
- Work creatively and effectively as a member of the CPF Education team.

Qualifications:

- Strong interest in and familiarity with History, colonial history a plus.
- Ability to present historical material accurately and engage large and diverse audiences. Must enjoy working with visitors of all ages, especially youth.
- Ability to work a flexible schedule and be available a minimum of two weekdays per week; summer weekday hours available for CPF summer camps if desired and able. See time commitment description above.
- Maintain a professional appearance and decorum.
- Have reliable attendance and punctuality. Reliable transportation is a must.
- Excellent/effective verbal and written communication skills. Access to email for scheduling

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purposes is required.

- Knowledge of museum education and/or teaching a plus.
- This work on a historic farm is physically demanding. Ability to lift 40 lbs.; be outside in all kinds of weather; navigate rough, uneven terrain and historic structures, including wood or stone steps and narrow staircases; and walk or stand for long periods of time.
- A criminal background check, FBI fingerprint clearance and child abuse clearance is a requirement for employment.

Positions are open until filled. Interested applicants should email a cover letter and resume to education@colonialfarmstead.org. No telephone calls, please.