



SCIENCE NATURE MENTOR / INSTRUCTOR

(Grades 1–5)

Schedule: Monday & Wednesday

Hours: 9:00 AM – 2:45 PM

Instruction Time: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Compensation: \$50+/hour of Instruction

Reports To: Programming Director

Trial Period: First 3 months

About AWI

AWI is not a traditional school. We are an outdoor, place-based learning organization where students learn through direct interaction with the natural world.

Science is not taught from a textbook—it is discovered through experience.

Position Overview

The Science Nature Mentor leads hands-on, field-based science learning experiences focused on ecology, earth systems, wildlife, and environmental science. The goal is to cultivate curiosity, observation skills, and stewardship through real-world exploration.

Key Responsibilities



Outdoor Science Instruction

- Lead experiential science lessons in natural environments

- Teach ecology, biology, earth systems, and local ecosystems
- Guide inquiry-based learning, observation, and experimentation
- Facilitate active, movement-based exploration

Curriculum & Design

- Follow AWI yearly themes across grade levels
- **Design your own curriculum OR use AWI-provided lesson resources and activity guides**
- Adapt content to meet developmental needs of Grades 1–5

Stewardship & Connection

- Help students build a relationship with the natural world
- Foster environmental awareness and responsibility

Mentorship

- Build positive relationships with students
- Encourage curiosity, engagement, and collaboration

Qualifications

- B.A in science, environmental studies, education, or related field
 - 3 years + Experience working with elementary-aged children
 - Strong understanding of ecological concepts
 - Passion for outdoor education
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Additional Requirements

- CPR & First Aid Certification (Wilderness First Aid preferred)
- Reliable transportation
- Comfort working outdoors in changing conditions

Send resume and cover letter to hr@awicommunity.org