

Role: Summer Camp Volunteer Educator

When: July & August 2024 Location: Kitsilano Beach or Trout Lake (in person)

Sea Smart

Volunteer with Sea Smart!

Sea Smart is looking for passionate, dedicated and reliable Volunteer Educators to help us deliver our 2024 summer camps for youth in our community. Join our passionate group of Environmental Educators to develop your science communication skills, and contribute to delivering high-impact student programming to hundreds of participants in Vancouver.

Volunteering with Sea Smart will provide you with invaluable experience in teaching and mentoring youth, while learning about ocean conservation and marine biology from a real marine biologist. If you have a passion for sustainability and want to make a difference in our future, then volunteering with Sea Smart is perfect for you! As a volunteer, you will gain important skills which can help prepare you for future educational or career endeavours.

About Sea Smart

Sea Smart uses fun, hands-on games and activities to teach youth in Kindergarten to Grade 12 about current issues impacting our oceans and get them brainstorming solutions both in and out of the classroom. Founded by marine biologist Dr. Elaine Leung, Sea Smart helps youth understand the role they play in protecting our oceans while building essential life skills such as creative thinking, personal awareness, and social responsibility. No oceans, no us. Sea Smart's innovative curriculum teaches youth about ocean issues with a solutions-based approach that is much needed in this day and age when environmental problems are overwhelming and it is easy to lose hope.

Through Sea Smart's programs, we aim to inspire kids to love and protect our oceans. The Volunteer Educator's primary responsibility is to foster a sense of empowerment in the next generation to help them in becoming environmental champions.

Role Description

As a Summer Camp Volunteer Educator, you will have the opportunity to:

- Assist the Environmental Educators with the delivery of the program content (lessons, games, and activities)
- Lead students in science-based games and activities
- Learn how to use inquiry-based teaching techniques to promote wonder and excitement in students
- Educate children aged 6-10 about ocean biology and conservation
- Be responsible for the set up and take down of materials at the beginning and end of each day

• Network with other like-minded individuals

Qualifications Required

- An interest in science, environmental issues or sustainability
- Good communication and interpersonal skills
- Clear criminal record check for the vulnerable sector within the last five years or ability to obtain and pass a clear criminal record check
- Emergency first aid and CPR C level certification within the last three years is highly desired but not required
- Experience working with youth (ages 5-10) is highly desired but not required
- Must be above the age of 16 years old.

Time Commitment:

This position is based in Vancouver at Kitsilano Beach or Trout Lake in July and August 2024. Camp volunteers must commit to a minimum of 2 camp weeks (Monday - Friday, 8 hours per day, 8:30am - 4:30pm). Weeks do not have to be consecutive. Volunteers must also be available for volunteer training on June 22, 2024. Preference will be given to volunteers who can attend more than 2 weeks of camp.

Ready to apply for the position?

Please fill out this <u>Summer Camp Volunteer Application Form</u>.

If you have any questions, please email our Program Coordinator, Talia Damas, at programs@seasmartschool.com