

Sparking wonder and curiosity about our world through hands-on science experiences

The 20 hour per week **Early Learning STEM Facilitator** engages with young children and parents to facilitate STEM-based experiences that encourage play and discovery. This position specializes in the engagement and upkeep of Itty Bitty Magic City, McWane Science Center's exhibit space for children ages 0-6 years old. The Early Learning STEM Facilitator helps to ensure that McWane Science Center's youngest scientists maximize their experience in the museum through hands-on activities, science demonstrations, and exhibit engagement.

This position will primarily be scheduled Wednesday through Sunday.

Key Responsibilities

- 1. Lead open as well as guided experiences throughout the museum that engage our youngest visitors in curiosity and discovery.
- 2. Facilitate purposeful exploration and play within Itty Bitty Magic City by forming STEM-based connections to everyday life.
- 3. Engage with visitors at various exhibits in the museum by covering shifts at the Shark and Ray Touch Tank and the High Cycle.
- 4. Present and monitor Itty Bitty Magic City's rules and policies by covering shifts at the exhibit's entrance gate.
- 5. Maintain a safe and consistent visitor experience within Itty Bitty Magic City by restaging exhibit areas.
- 6. Perform Itty Bitty Magic City's daily opening and closing procedures including routine cleaning tasks and inventory checks.
- 7. Assist the Early Learning division in creating a vibrant and exciting atmosphere on the museum floor.
- 8. Attend training sessions as requested by supervisor.
- 9. Other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications

- 1. High School Diploma or equivalent.
- 2. At least 1 year of experience working with young children ages 0-8 years old.
- 3. Excellent communication, problem-solving, and teamwork skills.
- 4. Comfort in handling small animals (reptiles, mammals, and marine life) preferred.
- 5. Must be able and willing to work weekends, evenings, and holidays.

Minimum Physical Qualifications

- 1. Sit/stand for extended periods of time without being able to leave the work area; including walking, kneeling, crawling and playing.
- 2. Lift objects frequently in performing the work (10-20 lbs.)
- 3. Pull or push objects on a regular basis (50 lbs.).
- 4. Grasp object utilizing the fingers.
- 5. Reach for objects above the head or below the waist.
- 6. Stoop or crouch by bending at the waist or by bending legs.
- 7. Hearing and visual acuity.
- 8. Exposure to chemicals, fumes and vapors that could potentially affect the health of the employee.

Benefits include FREE membership and IMAX Dome Theater movie screenings; retirement plan options including company match; discounts in our gift shop, food service and IMAX Theater; and on-site parking.

We look forward to hearing from you! Please forward letter of interest, resume & salary requirements to McWane Science Center Human Resources at <u>HR@mcwane.org</u>. **EOE**