

**JOB POSTING DETAILS**

<b>Employer</b>	Algoma Forest & Nature School Inc. (Algoma Forest & Nature School)	<b>Job Type</b>	RI
<b>Job Title</b>	Forest & Nature School Assistant	<b>Duration</b>	NA
<b>ES Job ID</b>	12586	<b>Location</b>	NA
<b>Date Posted</b>	May 3, 2022	<b>Closing Date</b>	May 24, 2022

**Job Overview - Description & Duties**

Forest & Nature School Assistant

Position: Part-time (up to 2.5 days/week) in May/June, Full-time in July & August 2022 (5-6 weeks)

Hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm

Location: St. Joseph Island & Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

Start Date: as soon as possible

Rate of Pay: \$16-19/hr

Background:

Algoma Forest & Nature School offers nature-based recreation and education programs to children in the Algoma region.

Position Responsibilities:

In collaboration with the Lead FNS Facilitator, assist in the planning and implementation of a dynamic forest school program

Assist in preparing the daily supplies, materials and site as necessary

Ensure the safety of all participants, including but not limited to forest play and water play

Assist in documentation of observations of each child's interests and progress

Perform daily risk assessments

Care, maintenance, reporting and restocking of tools and equipment

Communicate with parents effectively in person or by phone

Attend staff training, meetings and special events as required

Take direction from the Lead FNS Facilitator

Report to the Director of AFNS

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**Required Skills**

The ideal candidate will possess:

Early Childhood Education Diploma and/or Bachelor of Education (in-training) an asset

Forest School Practitioner certification (preferred by not necessary)

Current Standard or ChildCare First Aid with CPR or the ability to obtain (required)

Criminal Record Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening within last 6 months (required)

An enthusiasm for the outdoors in all seasons/weather

Physical ability to be active on feet all day in various outdoor terrain

A team player with excellent communication skills, a strong work ethic and takes initiative

An understanding of the educator role in child-led/experiential learning

An understanding of the benefits of risk taking

Interest in learning and improving upon basic outdoor skills such as fire building, shelter making, hand tool use, tying knots  
Familiarity of local flora and fauna or willingness to learn  
Ability to perform dynamic risk assessments while thinking and acting quickly

### **Other Requirements**

This position may be of interest to post-secondary ECE/Education students as well as occasional ECEs/Teachers (with a passion for working with children in the outdoors) who have flexibility in creating their schedule.

### **How to Apply**

Interested applicants may apply by emailing a cover letter and resume to: [algomaforestandnatureschool@gmail.com](mailto:algomaforestandnatureschool@gmail.com).

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only candidates invited for an interview will be contacted.