



EDUCATION SPECIALIST
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Apply by: August 20, 2015 at noon

[San Diego Coastkeeper](#)[®] seeks an education specialist to support the implementation and promotion of [Project SWELL](#) (Stewardship: Water Education for Lifelong Leadership), a hands-on K-6 science and pollution prevention curriculum in San Diego Unified School District. Project SWELL is implemented in partnership with the City of San Diego, Think Blue and San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD). The student population represents more than 15 ethnic groups and more than 60 languages and dialects. This position requires travel to SDUSD schools and will report to the San Diego Coastkeeper Education Coordinator.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES

- Assist in the implementation and promotion of Project SWELL.
- Manage logistics and planning for school visits, which includes in person, phone, and email communication to teachers to schedule presentations.
- Visit at least 12 SDUSD schools per month to teach Project SWELL lessons in classrooms and/or promote the program to teachers (i.e. staff meetings).
- Establish and maintain relationships with SDUSD teachers and administrators to recruit teacher participation and publicize programs.
- Increase teacher adoption and continued use following introduction/training of Project SWELL program
- Assist in inventory of program materials at SDUSD Instructional Media Center (IMC) and/or Coastkeeper office.
- Provide feedback to improve curriculum and adapt lessons as needed.
- Support tracking of teacher and student performance and help maintain database for tracking SWELL use and classroom visits follow up.
- Support program marketing efforts (e.g., blog writing and pictures) for Project SWELL website, San Diego Coastkeeper website, and social media.
- Develop ability to explain to teachers how Project SWELL curriculum meets [Common Core State Standards](#) and [Next Generation Science Standards](#).
- Other tasks as assigned in support of San Diego Coastkeeper and Project SWELL

QUALIFICATIONS

- Teaching experience in formal (classroom) or informal (environmental/outdoor) education programs and/ or teaching Project SWELL or similar STEM program.
- Experience with, and demonstrated ability to navigate school/education culture.
- Strong oral and written English communication skills. Bi-lingual (Spanish) a plus.
- MUST like interacting with children from Kindergarten through sixth grade (5- 12 years old) and teachers.
- Have an enthusiastic, outgoing personality, and display strong classroom-management skills.
- Be passionate about working with children of all abilities and backgrounds.
- Candidate must be punctual, hardworking, motivated, and must demonstrate a deep commitment and passion for environmental education and sustainability.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's Degree in Science or Education field
- At least two years of experience teaching or working with students.
- Ability to provide science instruction to students and teachers.
- Ability to learn and adapt environmental science lessons to fit students' needs, education standards, time constraints, and other classroom situations.
- Must be available to work Monday-Friday, usually during school hours (8:00-4:00 pm), after school programs (3:00-6:00pm), and/or possible weekends as needed.
- Proficient in MS Office programs such as Power Point, Excel, and Word, as well as Google programs such as Gmail, Drive and Google Docs.
- Ability to professionally communicate verbally in person, on the telephone, and in writing with students and adults.
- Strong organization skills.
- Valid CA driver's license, car insurance, and provide own transportation to/from schools in [SDUSD](#).
- Hiring will be contingent on candidate obtaining and submitting background reports as required by the State of California (fees reimbursed).

COMPANY DESCRIPTION AND MISSION

Founded in 1995, San Diego Coastkeeper is a community based 501(c)3 non-profit organization that protects and restores fishable, swimmable and drinkable water in San Diego County. San Diego Coastkeeper is San Diego's official agency of the international Waterkeeper Alliance, which works to protect the world's waterways.

SALARY, BENEFITS, AND TERMS

Schedule: Full-time temporary, 40 hours/week

Benefits: Medical, dental, vision insurance, paid vacation, holiday and sick leave

Compensation: Non-exempt, \$14-18 per hour, commensurate with experience.

Duration: September 2, 2015- July 30, 2016 *This is a temporary grant-funded position. The duration of this position may be extended, but extension is not guaranteed.*

To Apply

Submit a resume and cover letter as a single PDF or Word Document no later than **noon, Thursday, August 20, 2015** (Pacific time) to coastkeeper@gmail.com.

Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered.

~ San Diego Coastkeeper is committed to diversity in the workplace
and is an equal opportunity employer. ~