



Lead Program Coordinator
Seasonal Part-Time
Kids Connect! Farm, Field & Forest

The Monadnock Conservancy and the Cornucopia Project is seeking a Lead Program Coordinator for our Kids Connect! summer program at Four Winds Farm in Peterborough, N.H. Kids Connect! is made possible through a partnership with the Monadnock Conservancy and the Cornucopia Project to provide 15 to 20 children grades 3 to 6 with outdoor, hands-on educational experiences within a variety of farm settings: garden, field, forest, pond and farm kitchen.

The Monadnock Conservancy, a land trust for southwestern New Hampshire, works with communities and landowners to conserve the natural resources, wild and working lands, rural character and scenic beauty of the region. We accomplish our mission through land conservation agreements in 30 towns around the region, caring for the lands we own, creating and maintaining recreational trails, and offering community-based programs.

The Cornucopia Project is a non-profit organization based in Peterborough, N.H. dedicated to empowering children and adults through nourishing programs and sustainable life practices that connect them to our land and community. We accomplish our mission through garden-based education in all eight schools in the ConVal School District, a high-school level Farm to Fork program, and community-based programming.

We are looking for an individual who is interested in leading the program with assistance from an Assistant Program Coordinator for ten classes between July 17 and August 17 (meeting twice weekly for five weeks). Classes are held from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and include a snack prepared primarily from farm-harvested ingredients. The Lead Program Coordinator will be responsible for working with Cornucopia staff to design curriculum that introduces children to sustainable agriculture, a working farm, and connects them to growing, cooking and eating fresh, nourishing food. The program aims to engage children in the local environments that feed them and inspire a respect for the natural world in a creative, educational and fun manner.

Responsibilities:

- Lead all facets of the on-site program and direct the Assistant Program Coordinator in implementing the curriculum.
- Maintain communication and updates with Cornucopia's Community Programs Coordinator.
- Identify and request in advance needed supplies, working with the Monadnock Conservancy.
- Complete and submit incident report forms to the Monadnock Conservancy, Cornucopia Project, and the parent(s) of children involved.
- Maintain open communications with parents, including, but not limited to, calling with program reminders and inviting them to the end-of-summer pizza party.
- Participate in program evaluation and assessment before and after the session.

Qualifications:

- Talented educator with experience in farm or nature-based youth education.
- Demonstrated passion for "edible education"; knowledgeable of garden curriculum and skilled in small-scale organic food production, consumption and/or home gardening. Additional background in outdoor education, science and nutrition is welcome.

- A bachelor's degree in social work OR 3 to 5 years experience in the youth social services sector preferred.
- Trained in CPR/First Aid.
- Self-directed with excellent time management and organizational skills.
- A team player with strong interpersonal skills and a positive, collaborative attitude.
- Skilled and creative facilitator, especially with children of diverse learning levels.
- Resourceful, flexible and able to work and lead in a dynamic and changing outdoor classroom setting.
- Artistic, musical and literary skills a plus.
- Culinary skills a plus.
- Must have access to off-site phone, email and internet.

Compensation: \$17 to \$20/hour, depending on experience and training

To apply: Please send cover letter, resume and two references to Joyce Carroll, Community Programs Coordinator, admin@cornucopiaproject.org or by mail to The Cornucopia Project, 42 Main Street, Peterborough, NH 03458 by no later than June 12, 2017 to be considered.