

<b>Title Of Position:</b> Youth Programs Assistant	
<b>Department:</b>	Education
<b>Deadline To Apply:</b>	September 1, 2010
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<b>Posting Information (FT/PT):</b>	PT
<b>Hours / Week:</b>	Monday-Thursday, 1-7pm
<b>Position Summary:</b>	The Youth Programs Assistant will report to the Youth Programs Coordinator and is responsible for assisting with all aspects of the ECCO Leadership Program, including conducting workshops, scheduling teen field trips and speakers, coordinating community opportunity events, and providing curriculum feedback. This position is grant funded and will conclude July 31, 2011.
<b>Job Duties &amp; Responsibilities:</b>	The ECCO ( <i>Education, Conservation and Community Opportunities</i> ) Leadership Program is a 110+ contact hour, after school, positive youth development program for teens ages 13 to 16. The program promotes three specific aspects of development; self discovery, Zoo specific conservation, and opportunities throughout the community. Targeted participants include middle and high school youth from the local community. Program activities include team building, team projects, parent engagement sessions, animal husbandry, community engagement activities, ECCO recruitment, community zoo tours, youth mentorships, department shadowing, development workshops, open discussions and field experiences.
<b>Skills Needed:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have an understanding of positive youth development</li> <li>• Must be able to engage youth on a participant and supervisory level, as well as understand fundamentals of workshops, trainings, and teambuilding.</li> <li>• Must have, excellent oral and written communication, as well as good organizational skills</li> <li>• Must have a valid driver's license</li> </ul>
<b>Education Experience:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bachelor's Degree in Education, Science, or related field preferred.</li> <li>• A comparable amount of training and experience may be substituted for the minimum educational requirements.</li> <li>• Previous experience should include at least two years' working with adolescents.</li> <li>• Grant management and out-of-school time care.</li> </ul>
<b>Physical Requirements:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be able to work and move outside in the typical Florida climate, at times temperatures exceeding 90 degrees.</li> <li>• Good physical condition including ability to stand, lift 50 pounds and bend.</li> </ul>