



Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

Our Mission: The nonprofit Lake Erie Nature & Science Center educates and inspires each of us to understand, appreciate and take responsibility for our natural world.

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Job Posting: Planetarium Program Specialist, Part Time

Position Summary: Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is seeking candidates for the position of Planetarium Program Specialist to present astronomy programs in our state of the art planetarium using Digistar 7 software and a traditional optical-mechanical starball. Programs are for people of all ages especially preschool through school age and include public shows, field trips, scout programs, summer camps and family programs. The Specialist will also teach physical science field trips for grades 1-4 in a traditional classroom setting.

Work Schedule and Location: This is an onsite position at the Center in Bay Village, Ohio. Work hours will be 10 to 30 hours per week including weekdays, weekends, holidays, and some evening hours.

Wages: \$15.00 per hour

Education: A science degree is preferred; physics or astronomy is a plus. Candidates with similar background and an enthusiasm for astronomy are also encouraged to apply.

Experience: Experience presenting programs to young students or public speaking. Familiarity with Ohio academic standards a plus. Excellent computer skills are required. Minimum of 1 year in education, public speaking, or related field. As a member of the Nature Center staff this Specialist will be committed to our mission of informal science education, continuous improvement, and accountability, and adhere to the employee handbook and policies including COVID-19. **Preferred Qualifications:** The ideal candidate will have experience in public speaking, will be comfortable with audiences of any size, and will excel at audience engagement with enthusiasm for sharing the wonders of space science with children and adults. They will be curious about the known universe with an emphasis on growing their space science knowledge and have a willingness to learn industry specific software.

Organization: Lake Erie Nature & Science Center connects people to the natural world with engaging programs for children and families, space science programs, wildlife rehabilitation, animal programs, and live animal exhibits. It is the only facility providing wildlife rehabilitation in Cuyahoga County; it is one of two public access planetariums in Cleveland; it features one of the region's first and largest nature-based preschool programs; and it is located in a park setting near Lake Erie. As a treasured destination for more than 75 years, the Nature Center serves more than 100,000 people annually through in-person, interactive programs and displays. The Nature Center is funded by private donations, program fees, grants, and Cuyahoga Arts & Culture through the residents of Cuyahoga County.

Application: Send cover letter and resume to jobs@lensc.org by March 31, 2025 and reference Planetarium Program Specialist in the subject line.

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is committed to equal employment opportunities for all. The Center values and respects people's differences in age, color, ethnicity, ancestry, sex, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, language, national origin, physical and mental ability, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, veteran status, and other characteristics.