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1. 4-H ATV COORDINATOR NEEDED

Job Summary

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System is seeking candidates for the position of Coordinator, ACES Programs (ATV). The incumbent will be housed in the Walker County Extension Office and will coordinate the statewide ACES ATV Program in 4-H and Youth Development. Duties and responsibilities include recruiting, training, and supervising volunteers and participants, planning and implementing 4-H ATV lesson plans and activities, preparing reports, and establishing a network of vendors and partners to further support program funding.

This is a limited term position. The first year of funding is guaranteed. Continuation of employment is contingent upon the renewal of funding. The salary range is \$11.73/hr - \$15.24/hr - \$18.75/hr.

Job Specifications

Minimum Requirements are a high school diploma or equivalent plus 6 years of related experience (a Bachelor's degree may substitute for experience).

Desired qualifications include a Bachelor's degree, an individual who is or is in the process of becoming an ATV Safety Institute Rider Course Chief Instructor, and at least two years of experience as a 4-H leader in an ATV club, and experience recruiting volunteers, conducting fundraisers, and maintaining computer databases. Must have a valid driver's license and access to reliable transportation.

Interested candidates should submit the three forms found on our website (www.aces.edu/hr), a letter of interest, and a resume to ACES Human Resources, 104 Duncan Hall, Auburn, Alabama 36830. Applications are due March 20. For an application, go to: <http://www.aces.edu/hr> . For Specifics About Job Duties Contact: Dr. Emily Kling, Extension Specialist, 210 Duncan Hall, Auburn University, AL 36849, Phone: 334-844-5540 or Fax: 334-844-5599.

2. AWLS SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to Michael Robertson, 4-Her from Marshall Co., who won the youth American Wilderness Leadership School Scholarship. The adult scholarship winners are Laurie Vines, Coosa Co. and Kimberly Quigley, Tuscaloosa Co. Each will spend a fun-filled week learning about various aspects of natural resource management in the Jim Bridger National Forest in the Wyoming Teton Mountains.

3. "BUILD AN OUTDOOR CLASSROOM AT YOUR SCHOOL" GRANTS

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation, International Paper, and National Geographic Explorer! classroom magazine outdoor classroom grant program to help schools improve their science curriculum by engaging students in hands-on experiences outside the traditional classroom. Grants up to \$2,000 will be awarded to at least 100 schools and grants for up to \$20,000 may be awarded to schools or school districts with major outdoor classroom projects. Proposals are reviewed three times a year.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311160>

4. "CAPTAIN PLANET FOUNDATION" GRANTS

2006 Application Deadlines: March 31, June 30, September 30, December 31
Captain Planet Foundation awards are between \$500 and \$2,500 for schools and nonprofit organizations that develop innovative environmental projects for youth that promote cooperation, planning, and problem-solving skills.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311162>

5. ENO-ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM ~ ONLINE

Deadline: March 31, 2006

ENO-Environment Online is a free, international Web school for teachers and students interested in environmental issues and global education, administrated by the city of Joensuu, Finland. Themes include: local community issues; climate change; ecological footprint; and traditional food.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311164>

6. GOVERNOR'S CONSERVATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

The Alabama Wildlife Federation is accepting nominations for the 2006 Governor's conservation Achievement Awards. To get information about nomination guidelines and a form, go to <http://www.alabamawildlife.org/>. Look at the right-hand column under "AWF News." Nominations are due by May 8. If you have questions, contact the AWF at 1-800-822-9453.

7. FREE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS

Dolye Keasel will conduct additional 4-H

Wildlife Stewards workshops on how to help a school set-up a sustainable outdoor classroom learning center this spring. The first is scheduled for April 4 at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens-- 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. There is no cost, but Doyle needs to know how many people will be attending the workshop. Participants are responsible for their own travel and meals. Please email Doyle at keasade@auburn.edu if you are interested in attending this workshop. He will send you a more detailed schedule.

Doyle is also putting together two other topic specific workshops together for late April to provide more detailed information for schools, extension personnel, and volunteers. The two other 4-H Wildlife Steward workshops are on Water Features for School Campuses (held in the Huntsville area) and Attracting Birds and Butterflies to Your Campus (held in the Montgomery area).

Once he has the exact dates, he will send out a registration flyer for both of this workshops. If you have questions, you can contact Doyle at 334-844-6398 (office) or 334-750-6735 (cell).

8. EE RESOURCE GUIDES ON CD

The Air & Waste Management Association (A&WMA) has introduced its award-winning Environmental Education Resource Guides (EERGs) on CD. The EERGs provide teachers with background information, fact sheets, glossaries, and 50 lesson plans for grades K-5 on several air and water pollution - and protection - topics.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311177>

9. GEOEC LESSON PLANS

Global, Environmental, and Outdoor Education Council (GEOEC) Web site offers downloadable, free unit and lesson plans (Grades 1-9) designed to help teachers integrate environmental themes into their curriculum.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311178>

10. GEO YEARBOOK 2006: AN OVERVIEW OF OUR CHANGING ENVIRONMENT

The GEO Year Book 2006 is the third annual survey of the changing global environment produced by the United Nations Environment Programme,

in collaboration with many world experts in environmental research and action.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311179>

11. GLOBE AT NIGHT STAR HUNTING PARTY

March 22 - 29, 2006 ~ Skyward

Join thousands of other students, families, and educators by participating in GLOBE at Night - an international event designed to observe and record the visible stars as a means of measuring light pollution in a given location. Students will explore the different light sources in their community learning the relationship between science, technology and society, and then report their observations online through a central database allowing for authentic worldwide research and analysis.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311180>

12. LIVE FROM NEBRASKA - CRANE CAM

The Crane Cam sits in the middle of the Platte River at Rowe Sanctuary in Nebraska. The 2006 Crane Cam is a joint effort between Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary and National Geographic beginning February 28th. The Kids and Cranes page (<http://magma.nationalgeographic.com/ngm/cranecam/kids.html>) contains educational Web videos about sandhill cranes, migration, and the importance of the Platte River and includes educational activities.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311181>

13. ONE PLANET, MANY PEOPLE: ATLAS OF OUR CHANGING ENVIRONMENT

A comprehensive, visual presentation of scientifically variable information, on changes in the global environment acquired and assessed through state-of-the-art remote sensing technology.

<http://eelink.net/cgi-bin/ee-link/newclick/311182>

14. P3: PEOPLE, PROSPERITY AND THE PLANET

Student Design Competition for Sustainability

EPA has opened its competition for Phase I awards in the 2006-2007 P3: People, Prosperity and the Planet Student Design Competition for Sustainability.

Up to 50 awards for a maximum of \$10,000 each will be made to student teams in autumn of 2006 to research and develop projects during the academic year. Phase II happens in spring 2007, when all P3 grantees are invited to bring their designs to Washington, D.C. and compete for the 3rd Annual P3 Award.

For more information, see <http://es.epa.gov/ncer/p3>.

15. JOIN "FROGWATCH USA"

Frogwatch USA is a frog and toad monitoring program that gives YOU the opportunity to help scientists conserve amphibians! With as little as 20 minutes a week you can collect essential information to protect frogs and toads.

This long-term amphibian study, managed by the National Wildlife Federation in partnership with the United States Geological Survey, will increase awareness of amphibian decline and will give you the opportunity to be directly involved in gathering information that can ultimately lead to practical and workable ways to help stop the decline of these important species. For more information and to sign up, go to <http://www.nwf.org/FrogwatchUSA/> .

16. FIND LOCAL WILDLIFE

Taking a trip? Interested in your local wildlife? Use the National Wildlife Federation's ZipGuides to get your free regional wildlife guide for birds, butterflies, mammals, reptiles, and amphibians. Go to <http://enature.com/zipguides/>. You'll need to supply your email address and the zip code of the area you are interested in.

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