Employer: Gould League Work Type/s: Casual

Classification/s: Education and Training, Environment and Sustainability

Sector/s: Not For Profit (NFP)

Location: Melbourne (Cheltenham, Ricketts Point, Beaconsfield Flora and Fauna Reserve and Toolangi State Forest)

Classification: Casual

Reports to: General Manager

Rate of Pay: \$37.29 p/hr plus super. Training \$29.82 p/hr plus super.

Applications close: Midnight, Sunday 19th January, 2025

Background: Gould League www.gould.org.au is an independent not-for-profit environmental charity who have pioneered and influenced environmental education in Australia for over 110 years. We run incursion and excursion programs for schools, early learning centres and community groups and produce resources such as curriculum guides, educational books and posters. Although Gould League was initially devoted to bird protection and education, we moved into broader sustainability issues in the 1960s and 70s. Our programs now address water, waste, energy use, biodiversity, earth science, biology, climate change, circular economy and more. We currently deliver around 30 different education programs for children from K to Year 12 plus adult community groups providing engaging opportunities for people of all ages to learn in, about and for the environment. Our excursion programs are delivered at Ricketts Point Marine Sanctuary, Toolangi State Forest and our Cheltenham Sustainability Centre with incursion programs delivered to schools across Greater Melbourne. Opportunities will soon also exist for delivery into regional Victoria and to deliver inhouse programs to teachers.

Position Goals: Sessional Educators are responsible for the delivery of high quality and engaging education programs linked to the Victorian Curriculum. Flexible, knowledgeable and dynamic staff in this role will ensure high satisfaction from visiting teachers and strong levels of engagement from students.

Location: We are currently recruiting for Sessional Educators for our Sustainability Education Centre in Cheltenham, Toolangi State Forest, Ricketts Point Marine Sanctuary in Beaumaris, Beaconsfield Flora and Fauna Reserve and incursions to Greater Melbourne pre-schools and schools. Strong preference for candidates who can teach across multiple locations.

Position Reports to: General Manager although most day to day liaison is with our Bookings co-ordinator.

Gould League Sessional Environmental Educators should be

- Appropriately qualified and/or experienced i.e. Tertiary qualification in Science/Environment/Sustainability/Conservation/Education or equivalent work experience
- Highly effective and confident educators who utilise a variety of strategies to engage students and address visiting teacher needs
- Knowledgeable and positive about the environment and sustainable practices
- Respectful and attentive team players
- Quick learners who demonstrate flexibility and adaptability when plans change
- Excellent time managers who can prioritise and meet deadlines
- Able to demonstrate exceptional verbal and written communication skills
- Proficient at building effective relationships with a diverse range of people
- Self-motivated, autonomous and active learners who are committed to ongoing personal development
- Competent in basic use of Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint, and the use of internet, emails and online calendars
- Happy to perform a variety of preparational tasks and cleaning/maintenance of educational materials and facilities
- Aware of safe work practices and able to actively seek to minimise risks

Strongly desirable are: Science, Sustainability, Geography and or Teaching qualification (VIT) or equivalent experience. Must have: First Aid Certificate. The preference is for a qualification in "Provide First Aid HLTAID003" formerly known as Level 2 Workplace First Aid or higher. This can be undertaken upon engagement. All candidates must pass Working With Children Check (and have VIT or WWC card).

Appointment to start February 2025. Some training will be available in February however most gets underway in March as the school year kicks in.

Interviews will be with General Manager and Bookings Co-ordinator initially via Teams, with a final meeting / presentation at our Gould League Sustainability Centre, Cheltenham. On the job training provided supported by workbooks, training manuals and the shadowing of programs.

How to Apply:

Please forward a cover letter (explaining how you fit with GL desired attributes/skills as outlined, available hours/days, as well as ages/year levels and sites that best suit your experience plus details of two referees) and your resume to gould@gould.org.au using the subject line: **Sessional Educator Application.**

For more information phone **(03) 9585 7860** or contact <u>gould@gould.org.au</u> Please note references may be contacted upon receipt of application.