



Edible Education Instructor

On the Road Collaborative seeks talented, dynamic and diverse candidates for *part-time Edible Education Instructor(s)* for Emerging Chefs career enrichment after-school programs in Harrisonburg City for the 2020-2021 school year.

Position begins mid September 2020.

ORGANIZATIONAL DESCRIPTION:

On the Road Collaborative (On the Road) is a *non-profit* youth empowerment organization in Harrisonburg City. Our mission is to empower middle and high school youth by providing equal access to educational opportunities and hands-on career experiences. Through our unique after-school learning programs, we *connect* our youth to trusting adult relationships and equitable opportunities, *enrich* their lives with additional learning opportunities that inspire growth, and *empower* our youth to realize and fulfill their promise. Our programs are offered for youth at Skyline Middle School, Thomas Harrison Middle School and Harrisonburg High School. We serve more than 300 youth annually.

COVID-19 Pandemic Note:

At this time, most of our programming will be offered virtually, however, this position may involve in-person program services and would require a daily health screening, wearing a face covering, as well as other health and safety measures. On the Road follows the latest CDC and VDH guidelines.

EDIBLE EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR POSITION DESCRIPTION:

The *On the Road Collaborative Edible Education Instructor(s)* will lead or support the Emerging Chefs program, teaching weekly cooking and food lessons to small groups of 8-12 middle and/or high school youth, and helping to deliver ingredients to participating youth's homes each week. Edible Education Instructors directly report to the Edible Education Program Coordinator.

The Emerging Chefs program operates weekday afternoons (Monday-Thursday) typically between the hours of 3:30-5:30 p.m. throughout most of the school year (October-May).

Primary Responsibilities include:

- **Lead a variety of cooking and food service learning experiences in a group setting**, utilizing effective teaching and youth engagement strategies
- **Serve as a mentor for youth**, building strong relationships and motivating them to succeed
- **Create a safe, positive learning environment** that promotes our core values of focused effort, service, perseverance and courage
- **Work closely with a range of stakeholders**, especially families, teachers and volunteers, to deliver quality programming



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- **Help to plan the culminating Learning Showcase events** (e.g. Iron Chef Challenge; Pop-Up Dinner) at the end of each semester
- **Attend occasional evening and Saturday field trips and special program events**
- **Assist the Emerging Chefs Coordinator as needed** on a range of logistical tasks to support program implementation
- **Share about On the Road Collaborative in the community** and identify ways for others to get involved and support the programs

QUALIFICATIONS:

Strong candidates for this position will demonstrate the following characteristics:

- Knowledge of, and commitment to, the *On the Road Collaborative's* mission and goals
- Ability to engage, lead and instruct youth individually and in groups
- Commitment to youth development and achievement
- Experience working with older youth (middle-high school aged) preferred
- Must love preparing healthy food
- Kitchen prep experience is preferred
- Health and nutrition must be a priority
- Passion for working in a diverse, driven team setting
- Initiative, resourcefulness and problem solving skills
- Organization skills
- Proficient at using Google Applications, especially Google Drive, Word and Sheets

POSITION DETAILS:

The *Edible Education Instructor* **must** be available *at least* one afternoon per week between approximately 3:00-6:00 p.m. and some other times as required for meetings, special field trips and other special events. Fall commitment required, full year commitment preferred.

The hourly pay rate range is \$12-\$14/hour, based on qualifications and experience.

HOW TO APPLY:

The ***Edible Education Instructor DESCRIPTION & APPLICATION*** are available online at: ontheroadcollaborative.com/work.

Please complete your online application and submit your resume via email to Kristi Van Sickle, On the Road Emerging Chefs Coordinator, at work@ontheroadcollaborative.com. You may contact Kristi with questions regarding the position at 240-535-0310.

Applications will be accepted beginning September 2020 and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The anticipated start date for the position is late-September 2020.

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