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## Prince William Sound Science Center 2024 Seasonal Interpreter

The Prince William Sound Science Center (PWSSC) is a research and education-focused community benefit organization in Cordova, AK. We strive to advance the understanding and sustainable use of ecosystems through relevant scientific research and hands-on, STEAM-based education. The Science Center's educational and interpretive programs are an opportunity for participants to experience the amazing landscape that surrounds us in an immersive, educational, and exciting way.

**Duration:** 12-14 weeks, part-time from May-September 2024.

**Compensation:** Hourly, part-time at \$22/hour with FICA/Medicare and Worker's Compensation.

Temporary employees have the option to make contributions to a 403b retirement plan. We cannot offer additional benefits like medical insurance.

**Description:** The Seasonal Interpreter will work with education staff to develop educational and interpretive programming for visitors to PWSSC and Cordova. The interpreter will assist with the logistical facilitation of programs, lead groups on walking and hiking tours, provide information about the area and local ecosystems, and ensure the safety of all participants.

### Essential Duties:

- Create a warm, welcoming, and informative experience for program participants.
- Deliver formal and informal presentations about Cordova's natural and human history and PWSSC's work in the region to diverse groups of various ages.
- Assist with other education programs as needed.

**Qualifications:** Skill in verbal communication; experience working in an interpretive or educational setting or a demonstrated ability to communicate effectively to a broad audience; ability to understand and interpret region-specific topics; ability to follow instructions and work independently; desire to work with people; dependable and self-motivated; strong organizational skills; flexible; friendly and patient; willingness to work occasional evenings and weekends; basic outdoor skills; First Aid/CPR certified or willing to obtain certification; and an ability to cheerfully lead programs in a remote location under challenging conditions including cold, rain, wind, and in proximity to large mammals (bears and moose). Must be able to lift 40 lbs., walk on terrain that might be slippery such as gravel and mud, and balance on trails comprised of 8-inch or 10-inch wide wooden planks. Must be willing to carry and deploy bear spray. A successful candidate must have a valid U.S. driver's license. All offers of employment at PWSSC are contingent upon the results of a background check.

**Applicant must be authorized to work in the United States for any U.S. employer.**

### To apply:

Please submit a current resume and statement of interest to Lauren Bien ([lbien@pwssc.org](mailto:lbien@pwssc.org), (907) 424-5800 x259) at your earliest convenience. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis with the position remaining open until filled.