

Little Naturalist Program Assistant

Purpose: Volunteers will assist with Swaner's reading program for 3 to 5 year olds.

Key Responsibilities:

- Preparation and set up for program
- Greet participants and their adult guardians
- Read specially-selected children's books
- Lead and assist with crafts and activities that relate to the program's session theme

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Time Commitment:

- At least one Monday per month (schedule available here)
- 2 hour commitment per session, including set up and clean up time

Qualifications:

- Must be at least 16 years old
- Must pass a background check
- Must have some knowledge of and interest in nature or natural sciences
- Experience with or desire to work with early childhood education learners
- Pleasant demeanor, good communication skills, patient and reliable

Support and Training: Volunteers will receive a brief training session before their start date. Little Naturalist volunteers will be supported by a Swaner staff member during programs. Volunteers will receive a lesson plan write up upon arrival to the EcoCenter for each session.

Benefits:

- Invitation to events and activities for volunteers
- Rewards for number of hours of service completed
- Experience working with a great team of staff and volunteers, while developing new skills!
- Make a difference and have a positive impact on our community's youngest land stewards!