



## **Union Station Kansas City, Inc. Position Description**

**Title:** Summer Camp Teaching Assistant

**Department:** Science City

**Reports to:** Summer Camp Manager

**Camp dates:** June 3 – August 2, plus pre-camp training May 28-May 31. No camp week of July 1-5.

### **Science City Summer Camp**

With a mission to bridge the summer gap between school years and to create a fun learning environment for children to explore and discover, Science City Summer Camp (SCSC) offers an exceptional out-of-school experience for children. Classes are planned and led by experienced teachers who are enthusiastic about teaching and dedicated to make the summer learning fun for children. SCSC offers a variety of weekly themed camps focused on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) topics. Camper's ages range from students entering 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

All activities are designed to engage children's inquisitive minds, encourage positive learning and inspire creativity. It takes a team that is highly responsible, enthusiastic, energetic and dedicated to deliver this exceptionally high-quality program. This team consists of experienced professional teachers and qualified student teaching assistants and we'd like you to consider joining us!

Now you can be part of this team! If you're a highly energized student who is looking for a great opportunity to engage and inspire students, be a role model and sharpen your professional skills this summer, apply today to join the Science City Summer Camp Education Team!

**Position Summary: Teaching assistants are responsible for working with camp teachers & staff to engage and enrich campers' daily experiences through fun & safe activities & games.**

### **Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Assisting lead teachers in delivery of the Summer Camp curriculum
- Taking initiative to identify and solve problems inside and outside the classroom during camp
- Providing small group or even individual attention to campers as needed in support of the teachers
- Assisting teachers to identify the strengths and areas of improvement for each child in the class
- Assisting the camp director to organize snack and lunch time
- Ensuring that all the children are involved in the various activities
- Maintaining consistent communication with the lead teacher
- Participating in the mandatory pre-camp training, classroom setup and post-camp wrap up
- Developing and leading science activities for designated age group each Friday on TA Leadership days
- Providing feedback on the curriculum and camp operations
- Reporting to work as scheduled
- Committing to the full nine weeks of camp training and delivery

**Qualified Candidates should:**

- Enjoy working with children
- Have an affinity for STEM (science, technology, engineering & math)
- Be enthusiastic, energetic and dependable
- Be creative and flexible in meeting daily opportunities and challenges
- Have excellent communication skills
- Be a self-starter and able to work without constant supervision
- Be punctual and attentive to those in your care
- Be able to lift at least 25 pounds
- Conform to the Summer Camp dress code
- Work on one's feet for long periods of time
- Possess fluency in multiple languages (considered a bonus skill)

To apply, please email a cover letter and resume to: [summer@unionstation.org](mailto:summer@unionstation.org)

Interviews scheduled beginning Jan. 15, 2019

**About Science City:** Kansas City's Science Center, Science City at Union Station Kansas City, is a dynamic, hands on science center featuring nearly 200 individual interactive exhibits and daily programming. Kids of all ages experience the amazing world of science first-hand through fun and engaging exhibits and programs. In addition to changing monthly themes and daily programs/activities open to all guests, the science center offers onsite curriculum-based programs to school groups (K-12), outreach programs and an onsite summer camp. STEAM education is at the core of everything in the science center, be it exhibits, demonstrations, classes, shows, presentations, special events or programs. Last year 225,000 guests visited Science City. Visit [www.unionstation.org/sciencecity](http://www.unionstation.org/sciencecity) for more information.

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