



SEA Teaching Position (Volunteer with Stipend)

The Anacostia Watershed Society's Saturday Environmental Academy (SEA) is looking for passionate volunteers to join its teaching team for the fall program, which will run on consecutive Saturdays within Sept. 24 – Nov. 12 (exact dates have not been set yet). SEA offers a free outdoor education program to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, many of whom live in the Anacostia Watershed. Through this unique, fun, educational experience, students learn about their river and local environment while developing their skills in team building, critical thinking, and scientific investigation.

Our ideal volunteers are experienced environmental educators who enjoy working with students from underserved communities. On average, the time commitment is eight hours per week during the semester. Volunteer duties include:

- Develop or modify existing environmental lessons and team building activities as needed. Activities are to be interactive and experiential.
- Take "lead" in facilitating weekly activities on rotating basis with other members of teaching team. At least two other staff will be available to assist each session.
- When "lead," create short assignments for Student Leaders and email schedule and relevant objectives to Director, Teachers, and Student Leaders by Thursday before Saturday when you are the lead.
- When not the "lead", maintain proactive, high-energy involvement and facilitate activities as requested.
- Assist in logistical arrangements for sessions as needed.
- As teacher, manage student behavior with consistent, positive expectations.
- Tentative due to COVID: Attend and assist with one overnight trip, including facilitating activities, helping with meal prep and clean-up with student teams (when necessary), and chaperoning in sleeping quarters.
- Participate in a team planning meeting before the program begins.
- Promptly show-up at 8:30 for pre-meeting each Saturday and be able to stay until 1:30 for student dismissal and debrief meeting. Sessions run from 8:45-1:00, except for the one overnight trip, each semester.

A background check and drug test is required for this position (no cost to you). A stipend of \$100 per Saturday session (\$150 per overnight) taught is provided. The expectation is that teachers will make every effort to participate in each of the Saturday sessions. Please discuss any conflicts in advance of accepting the position. We encourage diverse candidates to apply. Candidates must have unrestricted authorization to work in the U.S. The meeting location for SEA is in S.E. D.C., near the Eastern Market Metro (not at the AWS office). For more information about SEA, go to anacostiaws.org. Also, find us on [Facebook](#) to see the students in action. If you are interested in this position, please send a note of interest and your resume to Catherine Estes, SEA Program Director, at cestes@anacostiaws.org.