

SJMA Summer Camp Instructor

Position

San Juan Mountains Association (SJMA) is hiring a lead instructor for its popular environmental education day camp. This position will teach curriculum already developed by SJMA's staff. The successful candidate will be one of 7 instructors responsible for a group of 35 kids, ages 6-17. The camp instructor will work with the SJMA education team to deliver outdoor education programming at SJMA's Durango Nature Center and on public lands throughout Southwest Colorado. There is a specific theme for each camp and different campers each week. SJMA's instructors have a passion for getting youth outdoors, cultivating a deep understanding of natural processes, and encouraging public lands stewardship.

For more information on the camp, visit
<https://sjma.org/summercamps/>

Background

SJMA empowers visitors and locals to explore, learn about, and protect the spectacular public lands of southwest Colorado. Founded in 1988, SJMA is a nonprofit cooperating (or interpretive) association for several federal land management agencies, including the San Juan National Forest, as well as the Rio Grande and Uncompahgre National Forests, the BLM Gunnison and Uncompahgre Field Offices and the BLM Canyons of the Ancients National Monument.

Qualifications

- Love working outside with children
- Experience working with children
- Environmental education, teaching, or science background
- Energy and enthusiasm
- Camp experience
- A valid Colorado Driver's License is required as well as a good driving record

Camp Dates

This is a temporary, seasonal position that ends no later than August 8th, 2025. Instructors must be available for all camp dates, plus a three-day staff training from May 27th-May 30th. Camp dates can be found at:
<https://sjma.org/events/category/youth/>

Compensation

Instructor will be paid \$15-18 an hour, DOE. End-of-season bonus awarded to instructors who complete the full season. SJMA offers a Simple IRA plan with a 3% match, and 1 hour of sick time per 30 hours worked, per Colorado law.

To apply

Those interested in the position are asked to submit a resume and letter of interest demonstrating their qualifications for the position to astimax@sjma.org. The cover letter should succinctly describe the applicant's interest and suitability for the position, and other pertinent facts that may not appear in the resume.

No phone calls please. SJMA is an equal opportunity employer.

Offers of employment will be subject to satisfactory completion of a background check and drug test, if applicable to the position.