JOB DESCRIPTION: Deckhand/ Nautical Educator

The Deckhand/Nautical Educator works with Mate/ Nautical Educator and Captain to ensure safety and proper management of the sailing vessel. The Deckhand/ Nautical Educator and Mate/ Nautical Educator work together to deliver nautical science lessons underway. Salish Sea Expeditions works with groups of 5th-12th grade students. Trips range from 3-5 Day Expeditions (overnight) as well as 1-Day programs. The Deckhand/ Nautical Educator is one member of the six-person Education Team working together to deliver quality inquiry-based and hands-on marine science research programs. All crew members aboard the vessel participate in all shipboard duties: vessel operations, line handling, docking, anchor watch, cleaning, etc.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Instructing and overseeing students in proper vessel operation
- Presenting nautical science topics both in classroom and on vessel
- Teaching a variety of sailing and navigation classes underway to groups of up to 14 students
- In the evening remains onboard as member of the sail team to assist students with chores, completing ships log, cooking and other evening activities
- Office duties: assist in food and supply packing, preparing paperwork for expeditions, assisting with classroom sessions, pre and post expedition tasks, and logistical projects
- Attending events as representative of Salish Sea Expeditions and program development as necessary
- Other duties as assigned

GENERAL OPERATIONS
While this position's primary responsibility is assisting the Mate and Captain with ship operations, and nautical instruction, the Deckhand/Nautical Educator will work as part of the Salish Sea Expeditions and Northwest Maritime Center team to ensure smooth operations for the organization as a whole. Integral to the success of Salish Sea Expeditions and our hands-on, boat-based programs is a crew full of knowledgeable, curious, enthusiastic, and self-motivated educators. We aim to create a generation of critical thinkers who will collaborate to solve society's hardest problems.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS
- Sailing experience
- Experience teaching sailing and navigation
- Demonstrated ability to direct/instruct students in sailing while maintaining a safe work environment
- Experience with small boats
- Experience working with 10-16 year olds
- Current first aid/CPR.
- Enthusiasm for working outdoors in all types of weather
- Ability to lift and carry gear up to 50lbs
- Ability to work well both individually and as a team member, as well as independently with small groups of students
- Ability to stay positive when working with crew and students over multiple days in relatively confined spaces of the vessel
- Proactive work ethic: willingness to help in any aspects of programming as necessary
- Ability to pass pre-employment background check and drug test

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience with sailing vessels >40 ft
- Experience with marine engines (especially operating outboard engines)
- WFA/WFR/WEMT certification
- Interest and experience in marine science and science education

APPLICATION PROCESS

New crew member:
1. Complete **Education Team Application** here- https://www.salish.org/jobs/
2. Send cover letter and resume to jobs@salish.org

Returning Crewmember:
1. Complete **Education Team Application for Returning Crew** here- https://www.salish.org/jobs/
2. If it has been more than 2 years, please email a cover letter and resume to jobs@salish.org

HIRING INFORMATION

- Spring Season: March-June; Hiring period: November-December
- Fall Season: September-October; Hiring period: July-August

Position is Seasonal, full-time
Office located at 431 Water St., Port Townsend, WA 98368
Position title: Deckhand/Nautical Educator
Reports to: Program Manager
Wage, based on a daily rate:
- Average $1500-$2100/month; depending on experience & schedule
- Additional benefits: Full room, partial board and seatime