

Position: Teaching Assistant, Summer Camp, Education Dept.

Employment Status: Part-Time, Hourly, \$12 per hour, Seasonal: June 1-August 14, 2026*

Job Summary:

HMNS has earned the reputation as one of Houston's top summer enrichment experiences. A robust catalog covering a wide range of science topics that are geared toward children ages six to twelve. Summer Camp 2026 runs from June 1 to August 14 at both the main campus in Hermann Park and Sugar Land locations. The complete catalog is available [here](#) online.

Summer Camp Teaching Assistants work in the classrooms of the museum's Summer Camp program and/or the Summer Scout program. Individuals in this position interact with children, organize classroom materials and projects, and generally assist teachers. This position reports to assigned Teaching Assistant / Pre-Service Teacher Coordinator in the Education Department.

Teaching Assistant applicants should have an interest in teaching and in science, natural history and related fields. Additionally, applicants should communicate well with children and adults, demonstrate initiative, and have a positive attitude. Previous participation as a Houston Museum of Natural Science volunteer is an advantage.

*This is a part-time seasonal position: Around 30 hours per week, June 1-August 14, 2026. Primary hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Shift options are also available starting as early as 7:45 a.m. and staying as late as 5:30 p.m.

Teaching Assistants are expected to work a minimum of 3 weeks. Applicants select the weeks and location they are available to work in the application form.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Interact and work with campers of various ages in an encouraging manner
- Interact with camp parents in a professional and accommodating demeanor
- Organize classroom materials and projects
- Assist summer camp teachers
- Communicate with children, teenagers and adults
- Arrive to work on time
- Complete other duties as assigned
- Comply with the museum's health and safety protocols

Skills and Experience:

- Interest in teaching and education, as well as science, natural history and related fields
- Maintain a positive attitude
- Demonstrate initiative
- Previous participation as a Houston Museum of Natural Science volunteer is an advantage

Qualifications:

- At least 16 years of age by June 1 2026
- Attend a mandatory training and orientation session in May

Working Conditions and Physical Demands:

- Able to lift 25 pounds
- Remain stationary for extended periods of time
- Move about for extended periods of time

Application Instructions:

All application components must be received by HMNS by February 28:

1. [Online Application Form](#) completed by applicant
2. Resume emailed to jobs@hmns.org by applicant
3. One letter of recommendation emailed by a reference to hhogeland@hmns.org or mailed to HMNS Summer Camp, 5555 Hermann Park Dr., Houston, Tx 77030. Letter of recommendation must be from a teacher or supervisor who has worked with you before. Letters must not be from a relative or an HMNS employee.

Applicants may receive an interview request. By April 17, all applicants will be notified whether being offered a position or not.

Those accepting a position are required to attend a mandatory training and orientation session in May.

No phone calls, please.

HMNS does not respond to inquiries regarding application status.

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Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Drive, Houston, Texas 77030

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