Volunteer Positions

Science Demonstrations
The visitor experience is enhanced through fun, hands-on science experiments located on carts, in our Kemper Creative Learning Studio or in your pocket. No need to be a scientist as volunteers will be provided adequate training and support on each individual activity. Some of the demonstration subjects you can be trained on include bioluminescence, electricity, energy, slime, aerodynamics and much more. In some of the demonstrations, we work with dry ice, liquid nitrogen, slime and all sorts of other cool things!

Kansas in Miniature Docent
Assist school children and visitors with all Kansas exhibits and activities, including Kansas in Miniature. Preferred hours are between 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday.

Education Program Assistant
Education Program Volunteers will assist Exploration Place Educators in programs for school groups and general public.

Castle Docent/Monitor
Monitor school children and visitors, assist with keeping toys and costumes arranged for visitor use and engage visitors in the different activities. Training in Exploration Place procedures is necessary for this position.

Visitor Services Volunteer
Volunteers will staff the entrance and exit of the Star Wars exhibit. This includes taking tickets, preparing the visitor to enter this unique exhibit, and manning the exit to the exhibit to prohibit unpaid visitor entry. Volunteers will also be placed at the Visitor Services desk to sell tickets, answer phones and assist visitors as needed. Training and on the job support is provided.

Traveling Exhibit Docent
Assist Exploration Place visitors with activities and exhibit elements. This position requires attending special training sessions for exhibits as well as training with an Exploration Place Educator.

Exhibit Set up and tear down assistant
Volunteers assist with traveling exhibit set up and tear down. Volunteers will work along side Exploration Place exhibit staff and trained by traveling exhibit staff.

Special Events
As Exploration Place holds several special events during the year, it is always helpful to have volunteers that are willing to come in on those special evenings.

Birthday Party Assistant
Assist Exploration Place Educator with birthday parties. Volunteers will be notified as soon as birthday party is reserved so they have advanced planning time. Parties are scheduled Saturdays at 11:30, 1:30 and 3:30 and Sunday at 1:30 and 3:30. Volunteers will need to arrive 30 minutes prior to scheduled party for set up, and stay 30 minutes after the party for clean up.

Summer Camp Assistant
Summer Camps run from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Volunteers are requested to work between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. Volunteers can sign up for one week of camp or work a morning or afternoon shift on one or more of the camp weeks. Volunteers will assist with set up of daily activities, registration check in, lunch time, as well as activities.

Grounds Maintenance
Exploration Place and its grounds covers 20 acres along the Arkansas River. Debris and unwanted plant material removal is vital to maintain the natural beauty of our property. Tree and bush trimming and maintenance is also needed in spring and fall as well as maintaining the beach like setting of our sandbar.

Custodial Assistant
Exploration Place is a 100,000 square feet museum with many windows. This position assists with dusting, sweeping, vacuuming and yes, “we do windows!”