



**One Cool Earth**  
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## Job Opening | Garden Educator

One Cool Earth is a non-profit organization with programs in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties. Our Program, Earth Genius, works with schools to champion garden education as a way of teaching students outdoor education, science, technology, and environmental literacy.

**Location:** Guadalupe

**Start Date:** As soon as filled.

**Hours/Duration:** Part-time, 20 hours per week through mid summer.

### Preferred Qualifications

- Experience teaching, preferably in an outdoor environment.
- A strong understanding of nutrition,
- Familiarity and confidence working in a garden, or strong motivation to learn in a hands-on environment;
- Formal education or significant experience in nutrition, environmental studies, Master Gardener, permaculture or equivalent a plus.
- Excellent rapport with children, with at least one year experience in educational settings (summer camps, Sprout Up!, etc.);
- Demonstrated communications and interpersonal skills;
- Able to work with people of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds;
- Creative, flexible and hard working; able to manage your commitments responsibly;
- Enjoy learning new things and challenging yourself;
- A good sense of humor, wonder, and curiosity;

### Desired Skills

- Bilingual – English & Spanish
- Proficiency with Google Docs and Google Calendar

### Primary Responsibilities

The Garden Educator-Manager is self-directed and a self starter working alongside the Program Manager and Executive Director to:

- Improve student science understanding by providing engaging, standards-based projects, experiments, and lessons based on ecology, earth, and life sciences,



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- especially on the subjects of watersheds, food forests, and zero waste;
- Establish a short afterschool program in the Middle School, such as a Garden Club, or other learning opportunity.
  - Increase student knowledge of food cycle, interest in growing fresh fruits and vegetables, and willingness to try new fruits and vegetables;
  - Teach engaging garden classes (30 - 60 min.) to 25 students at a time (2 to 6 classes per day);
  - Work effectively with teachers to coordinate curriculum and classroom instruction in the garden;
  - Work effectively with community members, volunteers and others to coordinate the ongoing administration of the school gardens;
  - Maintaining accurate and timely garden records and reports;
  - Provide basic maintenance for gardens: planting, weeding, pruning, composting, minor irrigation adjustments and repairs;

**Physical Demands:** *The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.* The ability to perform normal garden tasks, including digging, carrying, stooping, weeding, reaching, walking on varied terrain, and lifting and carrying materials and potted plants weighing up to 50 lbs.

**Certificates, Licenses, Registrations:** The applicant must possess a valid driver's license, a reliable vehicle with proof of insurance, and be able to pass a background check and TB test to work at schools;

**Compensation & Benefits:** Be part of a growing, mission-driven team; Change children's lives for the better; Flexible scheduling; Optional 401(k); \$13 - \$14/hour DOE;

**To Apply:** Please send your **resume** and a **cover letter** to Dan Cano at dan@onecoolearth.org.