

AgScape Job Posting Teacher Ambassador (Schools and Educational Events)

Job Title:	Teacher Ambassador (Schools and Educational Events)
Reports to:	Program Coordinator
Status:	Casual/Occasional (hiring multiple candidates)
Compensation:	Stipend based on amount of workshops delivered with a day (\$66.80 per workshop based on 35 to 70 min in length) Event staffing compensation based on hours worked, up to \$300 for a 6-hour shift Training and additional event shifts compensated based on hours worked Mileage/transportation coverage
Location:	In -person and virtual. Actively recruiting for Peel, Toronto, Durham, Ottawa, and Stormont/Dundas/Glengarry regions. Must be able and willing to travel to schools and/or educational events within the region.

Who We Are

AgScape is leading a movement to bring agriculture and food education into all Ontario classrooms with the goal to inspire youth to see their role within the food system that's a vehicle for social, economic, and environmental impact. We accomplish this through providing experiential and science-based agriculture and food education programs that inspire students to be curious, critical, and conscious about their food choices, discover exciting career opportunities that match their passions, and be bold global citizens, thinkers, and innovators.

We are passionate about connecting today's students with the thriving field of agriculture and food. We have a work environment that fosters collaboration and creativity and provide the coaching and support for each team member to be the best they can be.

Position Overview

Working under the supervision of the Program Coordinator, you will be responsible for the classroom delivery of lessons and presentations on agriculture and food related topics as part of the Teacher Ambassador Program.

Additionally, there will be opportunities basis to do event support through this role for career event and agricultural fairs at our AgScape booth.

AgScape's Teacher Ambassador Program is designed to make a meaningful impact on students' food and agriculture literacy, health, future careers and overall success. The program places AgScape's Teacher Ambassadors, who are skilled and experienced Ontario educators, directly into classrooms to teach students various curriculum-linked lessons related to agriculture and food, and encourage critical thinking when it comes to making food choices.

Key Responsibilities

- Deliver Ontario curriculum-linked agriculture and food-related lessons to students and teachers.
- Coordinate and communicate with educators to schedule date and times for the delivery of workshops/lessons
- Understand and apply current educational trends and strategies when delivering workshops/lessons
- Adapt and adjust workshop/lesson content and delivery style based on student grade levels, abilities and accommodations
- Network to schools and teachers to grow registrations for the Teacher Ambassador program
- Promote AgScape's additional education resources and materials available for educators
- Support additional AgScape staff at external events such as agricultural fairs, career fairs etc. (ie: support booth set up, interact with event attendees, promote agriculture careers, AgScape programs and resources)
- Opportunities to attend agriculture and food events with the AgScape team for personal professional development and education

Who You Are

- An excellent communicator – You know what it means to act as an ambassador for an organization and can share its mission and values passionately. You get your verbal and written messages across clearly and effectively to every audience.
- A strategic thinker – You are able to visualize what is needed, create calendars and schedules, and achieve your objectives.
- An organizer – You are able to handle multiple responsibilities at the same time.
- A self-starter – You have a proven ability to strategize and implement fresh and effective processes to improve the overall integrity of our work. You ask for the resources you need and take action when looking for solutions to problems.
- Creative – You educate and engage people in innovative ways and use all media available to you.
- Detail-oriented – You recognize the importance of the fine details in written words and visuals.
- Team player – You can work cross-functionally with teammates who have different areas of expertise in both a virtual work environment and during occasional in-person events.

Competencies & Other Requirements

- **Must meet one (1) of the following criteria:**
 - be in good standing with the Ontario College of Teachers,
 - currently in a Bachelor of Education/Master of Teaching program, as recognized by the Ontario College of Teachers
 - currently in an Early Childhood Education Program
 - registered as an Early Childhood Educator
- Must have access to a vehicle or public transportation
- Must have access to reliable internet and computer
- Comfortable with working with technology (i.e. educational technologies, a variety of web conferencing software, Google Workspace etc.)
- Possess strong interpersonal and leadership skills
- Strong passion for promoting programming and expanding educator network
- Have the ability to take initiative and self-manage
- Communicate effectively through a variety of oral, written and digital forms
- Comfort and willingness to work with multiple age ranges/grade levels
- Ability to coordinate and manage program schedules efficiently
- Provide a Vulnerable Screening Sector prior to working in schools

How to apply

Please send your resume and cover letter to careers@agscape.ca, attention Shaunna MacQuarrie Program Coordinator, with the subject line “ATTN: Program Coordinator – Teacher Ambassador.” Please do not apply through an external site. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. **Even if you feel that you do not have all requested experiences and competencies, you are encouraged to apply.**

In your cover letter, please outline why you are interested in this position and how your skills and experience make you an asset for this job. If there are requested areas in which you do not have experience or skill, please outline how you plan to acquire these skills or find other creative solutions to compensate.

AgScape is an equal-opportunity employer. We are committed to an inclusive, barrier-free recruitment process and work environment in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). We will be happy to work with any requested accommodations at any stage of the hiring process or employment.