



About Us:

The Powerhouse is Southwest Colorado's STEAM engine, empowering curious young learners through interactive experiences, discovery, and play. Launched as the Children's Museum of Durango in 1994 in a small attic space above the Durango Arts Center, the museum expanded to its current riverfront location and has welcomed 300,000 visitors since its opening in 2011.

Job Title: STEAM Educator

Reports To: Director of Education

Start Date: Fall 2025

Compensation: \$20.00-\$23.00/hour

Hours and Term: Non-exempt, 20-40 hours per week

Travel: Locally, less than 20%

Benefits: Flexible PTO, ICHRA health plan insurance plan, SIMPLE IRA with 3% employer match, monthly phone reimbursement

Roles and Responsibilities:

The Powerhouse STEAM Educator position plays an essential role in providing students, teachers, and families with high-quality, hands-on science experiences. The primary tasks of this position are the development and implementation of field trips, summer camps, and educational outreach programs. Throughout the course of a week, the STEAM Educator is responsible for their own programming and assisting with programs developed by other education staff along with other duties. The STEAM Educator must enjoy working with children and have a passion for science. A positive, fun and friendly personality is important.

Curriculum Development and Program Delivery

- Develop and deliver curriculum for various educational programs, including field trips, school-based workshops, camps, and afterschool programs
- Work alongside other members of the education team to lead field trips, afterschool enrichment programs, and community events
- Teach standards-aligned school programs for kindergarten through 5th grade students
- Set up and break down of program spaces, cleaning the spaces as needed
- Support Camp Discovery summer camps as an educator or administrator

Science and Engineering Competitions

- Work alongside other members of the education team to support science and engineering competitions organized by the Powerhouse (FIRST LEGO League, Destination Imagination, and the San Juan Basin Regional Science Fair)
- Have primary responsibility for coordinating one of the three competitions

Additional duties include:

- Periodically transport students in a 12-passenger van
- Maintain a safe environment for students and staff
- Maintain security of The Powerhouse
- Promote and maintain good customer experience
- Ensure that shared workspaces remain reasonably clean and presentable
- Attend regular staff and department meetings and trainings

- Other duties, as assigned.

Ideal Candidate: Formal training in some aspect of STEM or Education is preferred. The ideal candidate has experience in developing, presenting, and managing informal educational projects and working with a small team of peers. The ideal candidate has a positive, professional, and flexible disposition while working in a nonprofit environment; excellent written and verbal communication skills; actively learns from both successes and failures; and the ability to coordinate and prioritize multiple projects at once.

Education: Bachelor's degree in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) discipline, Education, or related field. Relevant experience may be substituted in place of the education required.

Employment Requirements: Employment is subject to a pre-employment background check and is conditional pending results. Must possess a clean driving record and reliable transportation.

Email resume and cover letter to education@powsci.org. Priority consideration will be given to applications received by October 22, 2025. Application open until filled.