



**Position Title: Healthy Schools Project Educator/Coordinator**

**Status:** Full-Time (40 hrs per week), based primarily in West Philadelphia with local travel

**Salary:** \$39,000, with annual cost of living adjustment

**Benefits:** health insurance, 3 weeks of paid time off (PTO), 16 paid holidays, \$200 towards professional development annually, and cell phone reimbursement

**About Greener Partners**

Greener Partners (GP), is a small and growing 510(c)(3) focused on strengthening community health through fresh food access, support of farms and gardens, and discovery-based learning. Greener Partners believes all people should have nourishing food in their own communities. Since 2008, we have partnered with schools, hospitals, and community-based organizations to address food insecurity and develop underutilized land into productive, sustainable gardens. Our programs include: Farm Explorer, Deaver Wellness Farm at Lankenau Medical Center, and Healthy Schools Project initiatives in Philadelphia, Norristown, and Chester.

GP staff and Board are moving towards our [vision](#) of being an inclusive, diverse, and equitable organization. We are committed to disrupting racist systems, ideologies, and practices both within ourselves, our organization, and through the work we do in collaboration with others.

**Healthy Schools Project Educator/Coordinator**

Greener Partners seeks a full-time educator based in West Philadelphia to co-lead its innovative farm-to-school program, the Farm Explorer, and support Healthy School Project activities. The ideal candidate will be a skilled gardener/farmer, have a passion for plant forward cooking, and be committed to anti-racism.

The *Farm Explorer* connects young people to the science and agriculture behind growing food, sparking interest in harvesting, cooking, and trying vegetables, fruits, and herbs. The Farm Explorer Truck brings a farm field trip experience directly to schools (as well as community sites, camps, and events), with hands-on activities about science, plus nutrition and healthy eating. In the winter months, Farm Explorer moves indoors. Our *Healthy Schools Project* expands our work with the school community through an integrated approach to food education, access, and sovereignty. It includes afterschool programs, partnerships with schools and community groups to distribute fresh produce and do cooking demonstrations, and support for school, community, and home gardeners.

**Responsibilities:**

- Lead educational programming for a range of ages and groups, at outdoor, indoor, and virtual settings both in-school and out-of-school

- Help develop lessons about science, gardening, cooking, and nutrition education for learners of all ages
- Help develop and lead programming for adults who are community food advocates
- Grow a variety of vegetables, fruits, and herbs in containers for the Farm Explorer truck, including crop planning, seed starting and maintaining a robust succession of plants for 3 seasons
- Collaborate with schools and community groups on all aspects of garden development and maintenance in West Philadelphia
- Provide gardening/farming advice to school and community partners and individuals on soil health, crop planning, post-harvest, troubleshooting, growing methods, regenerative practices
- Help partners access materials and garden supplies
- Lead fruit and vegetable distributions and community workshops in West Philadelphia
- Build and maintain partnerships with schools and community groups and positive relationships with key external partners
- Collaborate with Farm Explorer team on program coordination
- Work closely with Farmer/Educator team, Directors and Greener Partners leadership
- Drive the Farm Explorer vehicles to programming sites throughout the region; maintain vehicles in clean, good working order
- Assist with scheduling Farm Explorer visits, doing outreach to schools, and following up on leads
- Assist with administrative tasks such as tracking program metrics, improving booking processes, crop-to-curriculum coherence, report generation,
- Assist with coordination of program evaluations
- Assist with recipe testing and development
- Assist with implementation of social media plan, in collaboration with other GP staff
- Assist with other Greener Partners' programming in other communities (including occasional weekend work)

### **You Are A Good Fit If You...**

- Are committed to anti-racist practices that center equity and inclusion, promote diversity, and reduce harm
- Are a problem solver with a can-do attitude who deals effectively and efficiently with challenges on the truck, in growing spaces, or in a classroom
- Are experienced in farming or community gardening, raising a large variety of crops
- Have several years leading experiential educational programming for various age groups, including lesson planning and innovative classroom management (experience with teens a plus)
- Are an excellent, creative seasonal cook
- Enjoy driving and have a clean driving record (Commercial Driver's License (CDL) or experience driving large vehicles a plus)
- Can manage multiple projects successfully
- Have knowledge of excel, data management programs, fluency with social media
- Are well-organized and able to work flexible hours

- Have strong written and verbal communication skills, including being a strong public speaker
- Have strong intra and interpersonal skills, including self-awareness, constructive ways to manage stress points, being aware of one's internal attitude
- Like working in a variety of settings each week
- Can work independently and collaborate with a diverse team
- Have or can obtain up-to date FBI, PA Criminal, and PA Child Abuse clearances
- Have experience building collaborative relationships with community leaders and participating in community engagement work
- Are committed to Greener Partners' mission

Greener Partners is an equal opportunity employer committed to providing a safe and supportive work environment for employees. We welcome queer folks, people of all racial identities, gender identities, and all religious, generational, economic, and educational backgrounds to apply. Please submit a current resume and cover letter explaining your interest in the position and why you will be a great fit to [Amy.Johnson@greenerpartners.org](mailto:Amy.Johnson@greenerpartners.org). Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the position is filled.