



## Teacher-Ranger-Teacher Position Description

The purpose of the Teacher Ranger Teacher (TRT) position is two-fold. First, it will supplement the park's Interpretation, Education, and Visitor Services division by performing duties related to resource education and interpretation. Second, it will allow the teacher to more fully explore a national park to enrich his/her understanding and appreciation of our natural and cultural heritage, and in turn provide students and educators with activities developed for use in the classroom.

### **Park Duties:**

- Work in Cuyahoga Valley National Park for a period of 8 weeks between June and August 2014, beginning with staff training June 9-13
- Learn about the field of Environmental Education and how to connect students to the outdoors
- Assist the Environmental Education Center in carrying out a variety of summer programs including but not limited to Junior Rangers, Junior Ranger Day Camp, and other summer camps
- Develop and carry out a class for summer camps
- Help children who visit Cuyahoga Valley National Park make their own intellectual and emotional connections to the resources
- Develop standards-based curriculum to help their students understand the national park system and CVNP, and submit written lesson plans to park supervisor by July 28
- Assist with reviewing and updating existing CVNP curriculum-based education programs or development of new programs
- Participate in developmental activities such as roving interpretation, staffing visitor center desks, shadowing resource management or law enforcement, and general interpretive programming

### **Classroom Duties:**

- Implement park-related curriculum developed during the summer
- Stay in contact with TRT coordinator throughout the 14-15 school year
- Wear the uniform at school during National Park Week (April 2015) and when presenting park-related activities
- Make at least one presentation to their school colleagues or another school, and possibly a school assembly
- If school participates in the CVEEC Resident Program, wear the uniform and teach at least one class during the All the Rivers Run program
- Submit statistics and final report for all NPS related activities led during the year by June 1, 2015