



Teacher/Ranger/Teacher Program
Position Description - Resource Management Division

at the Mississippi River's National Park
Twin Cities metropolitan area, Minnesota
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The Teacher-Ranger who works with the Resource Management Division will spend time working on a variety of resource management issues and projects. Teacher-Ranger may work with natural and cultural resource initiatives with the park's Community Planners, Natural Resource Specialist, Outdoor Recreation Planner, and Water Quality Specialist, as well as the park's Historian and the GIS and Development Specialist.

The Teacher-Ranger may also work with the park Biological Technicians (Biotechs). Major duties include identifying and inventorying plant species with emphasis on exotic plants. The Biotechs carry out exotic plant control projects, such as buckthorn, honeysuckle and garlic mustard removal using a variety of techniques such as herbicides, bio-control, cutting, pulling and digging.

Even though the focus of this position is natural and cultural resource management, the Teacher-Ranger will have several opportunities to work with rangers from the Interpretation and Education Division. The goal is to have the Teacher-Ranger be able to share many different park experiences and career opportunities with their students and other teachers.

Applicants should enjoy working outdoors and tolerate a wide range of outdoor conditions. A driver's license and experience paddling are helpful. Teacher-Rangers work independently or with light supervision, and work schedules may vary with weekends and some evening hours possible.

Duties when back in the classroom

Incorporates activities related to the National Park Service into their classroom curriculum during the school year. Wears the NPS uniform during National Park Week and conducts activities related to the National Park Service and gives several presentations to their classes, including a possible school assembly, and presents to one other school within the district.

Note: Middle or High School Science Teacher preferred