



Mission: Inspire love for science and curiosity about the world to create a brighter future

Volunteer Position: Leadership Development Program

Program Description

The Leadership Development Program (LDP) is an introductory volunteer opportunity designed for students entering 9th through 11th grade in Fall 2026, with no prior experience in museum or zoo facilitation. Selected participants will enhance their leadership, science communication, and professional skills through intentionally designed activities and facilitation opportunities at CuriOdyssey.

Why join LDP?

- Gain professional skills in a Science Museum and Zoo setting
- Gain Science Communication and facilitation skills
- Gain experience working with children
- Gain community service hours
- Learn new things and meet new people!

Qualifications:

No experience necessary!

Time Commitment

Participants are expected to attend meetings on Saturdays throughout the school year. Sessions will typically take place in person at CuriOdyssey from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Additionally, LDP participants are required to volunteer an additional 8 hours to facilitate science activities in our Museum and Zoo spaces. The total time requirement is 20 hours, with options to continue volunteering during Summer Camp if selected.

Upon program completion, participants will be eligible to assist in facilitating Camp CuriOdyssey alongside CuriOdyssey staff, which runs from June 2026 through August 2026. This opportunity allows participants to further develop their leadership, science communication and facilitation skills.

Program Dates

The Leadership Development Program application will close on February 28, 2026, at 11:59 PM. Applicants will be notified of their application status within two weeks of the deadline.

LDP Sessions:

Saturday, April 11, 2026

Saturday, April 18, 2026

Saturday, April 25, 2026

Saturday, May 2, 2026

+8 hours based on availability

Physical Demands:

The physical demands herein are representative of those that must be met by an LDP to perform the essential functions of this position successfully. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform these essential functions.

Environment: Volunteer work is conducted at CuriOdyssey and in the immediate local space at Coyote Point. The program will take place indoors and outdoors, regardless of weather conditions. Mobility: Physical ability and endurance to occasionally carry and lift heavy materials, up to 50 pounds. Frequently move from a sitting to a standing position. Traversing uneven surfaces, bending, reaching, sitting on the floor with children, and twisting are daily repetitive physical actions.

To Apply

Ready to get started? [Apply now](#) to join the Leadership Development Program and take your first step toward building leadership, science communication, and facilitation skills at CuriOdyssey.