



# Edible Education Instructor

**On the Road Collaborative seeks talented, dynamic and diverse candidates for *part-time Edible Education Instructor(s)* for Emerging Chefs Career Enrichment after-school programs in Harrisonburg and Waynesboro for the 2025-2026 school year.**

**Positions begin August 2025.**

## **ORGANIZATIONAL DESCRIPTION:**

**On the Road Collaborative (On the Road) is a *non-profit* youth empowerment organization in the Shenandoah Valley.** Our mission is to empower middle and high school youth by providing equal access to educational opportunities and hands-on career experiences. Through our unique after-school learning programs, we *connect* our youth to trusting adult relationships and equitable opportunities, *enrich* their lives with additional learning opportunities that inspire growth, and *empower* our youth to realize and fulfill their promise. Our programs are offered for youth in Harrisonburg (*Skyline Middle School, and Thomas Harrison Middle School*) and Waynesboro (*Kate Collins Middle School*). We serve more than 300 youth annually.

## **EDIBLE EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR POSITION DESCRIPTION:**

The *On the Road Collaborative Edible Education Instructor(s)* will lead or support the Emerging Chefs program, teaching weekly cooking and food lessons to small groups of about 16 middle and/or high school youth, directly reporting to the Edible Education Program Director.

The Emerging Chefs program operates weekday afternoons (Monday-Thursday) throughout most of the school year (October-May).

### **Primary Responsibilities include:**

- **Lead a variety of cooking and food service learning experiences in a group setting**, utilizing effective teaching and youth engagement strategies
- **Serve as a mentor for youth**, building strong relationships and motivating them to succeed
- **Create a safe, positive learning environment** that promotes our core values of focused effort, service, perseverance and courage
- **Help create lesson plans and recipes with a co-facilitator**
- **Work closely with a range of stakeholders**, especially families, teachers and volunteers, to deliver quality programming.
- **Help to plan the culminating Learning Showcase events** (e.g. Iron Chef Challenge)
- **Consistently attend staff meetings and trainings**



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- **Assist the Emerging Chefs Director as needed** on a range of logistical tasks to support program implementation
- **Attend occasional evening and Saturday field trips and special program events**
- **Share about On the Road Collaborative in the community** and identify ways for others to get involved and support the programs

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Strong candidates for this position will demonstrate the following characteristics:**

- Knowledge of, and commitment to, the *On the Road Collaborative's* mission and goals
- Ability to engage, lead and instruct youth individually and in groups
- Commitment to youth development and achievement
- Experience working with older youth (middle-high school aged) preferred
- Must love preparing healthy food
- Kitchen prep experience is preferred
- Health and nutrition must be a priority
- Passion for working in a diverse, driven team setting
- Initiative, resourcefulness and problem solving skills
- Organization skills
- Proficient at using Google Applications, especially Google Drive, Word and Sheets

## **POSITION DETAILS:**

The *Edible Education Instructor* must be available *at least* one afternoon per week (Monday-Thursday) and some other times as required for meetings, field trips and other special events. Full year candidates preferred, fall only candidates acceptable.

The starting pay is \$18/hour.

Harrisonburg and Waynesboro positions are both available.

## **HOW TO APPLY:**

The Edible Education Instructor job description and application are available online at: [ontheroadcollaborative.com/work-with-us](http://ontheroadcollaborative.com/work-with-us).

Questions? Email us at: [work@ontheroadcollaborative.com](mailto:work@ontheroadcollaborative.com)

Applications will be accepted beginning August 2025 and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The anticipated start date for the position is training in late August and position mid-September.

**On The Road Collaborative is an equal opportunity employer.**

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