

**Position Description**

**Position:** Astro-Overnight Assistant  
**Supervisor:** Assistant Educators  
**Department:** Education

**Objective:**

One way that the Adler can make the content and galleries more meaningful to museum visitors, especially families with children, is by offering educational activities within the galleries.

A specific program we offer for families is an overnight program called Astro-Overnights. During Astro-Overnights our volunteers help facilitate several activities in our galleries. The 2011/2012 theme is Exploring the Solar System.

**Responsibilities:**

- Facilitate educational activities with families with children ages 6 to 10
- Provide connections between activity and surrounding gallery for families
- Welcome and greet Astro-Overnight visitors
- Eat dinner between 5-5:45, Set up activities between 5:45 and 6:30; activities begin at 6:00; take down activities after 9:45
- Brief and reflect with supervisor at the beginning of each shift during dinner.
- This position may lead to a mentorship position

**Qualifications:**

- Willingness to work with families with young children
- Comfortable conversing with both individuals and groups of various sizes
- Prior knowledge and/or willingness to learn about basic astronomy and space science concepts
- Dependable, flexible, and enthusiastic
- Ability to multi-task
- Sense of humor
- Age 16 or older

**Training:**

Attend one 2.5 hour-long Astro-Overnight Activity training at the Adler on January 13th. All other training will be on the job with an educator or experienced volunteer during regular shifts.

**Commitment:**

- Volunteer for all remaining Astro-Overnights and attend training.

- Shifts occur between 5:00 and 10:00 on the following Fridays:  
February 3, 2012  
March 2, 2012  
April 13, 2012  
May 4, 2012

**To Apply:**

Please visit the volunteer section on the Adler's website:  
<http://www.adlerplanetarium.org/getinvolved/volunteer>