**Position Title:** Teen Tech Center Facilitator  
**Department:** Teen & Adult Engagement  
**Reports To:** Teen Tech Center Coordinator  
**Location:** Turbine Hall

**Position Summary:** Volunteers engage visitors to design and create projects in the Teen Tech Center (TTC). The TTC is a free multimedia and creative technology focused maker space specifically for ages 13-18. We provide space, materials, and support so teens can express themselves creatively and gain hands-on experience with high tech tools and programs. Successful volunteers will encourage youth to create through questions rather than lecture-style instruction, maintain a flexible outlook, and be ready to take on any challenge.

**Essential Duties and Responsibilities:**
- Encourage visitors to explore, collaborate, innovate, and create personal projects.
- Mentor teens by asking open-ended questions, co-investigating, and using other facilitation techniques to help promote exploration and innovation.
- Provide guidance if needed in the inspiration, resource gathering, and creation of daily projects and activities.
- Maintain the integrity and appearance of the space.
- Maintain a safe, secure, and inviting environment for visitors and staff.

**Required Knowledge/Skills:**
- Eager to facilitate visitor-led and visitor-centered experiences.
- Excited about teaching and learning through play and experimentation.
- Comfortable with open-ended problem solving.
- Desire to communicate accurate science and technology content in an engaging way with people of diverse backgrounds.
- Self-motivated with strong communication and interpersonal skills, comfortable with actively engaging with 13-18 year olds in a positive, consistent manner.
- Passionate about tinkering, building, and making things with others.
- Dependable and punctual; ability to adhere to a regular schedule preferred.
- Commitment to safety and willingness to uphold OMSI rules and procedures.

**Preferred Knowledge/Skills:**
- Experience with creative technologies, including: Adobe Creative Suite, Pro Tools, Ableton, AutoCAD, Scratch, etc.
- Experience with arts/crafts including: sewing, embroidery, knitting,

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SCHEDULE AND SUPPORT:

• Typical Schedule: The TTC is open Tuesdays through Fridays from 2:30 pm to 7:00 pm and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
• Minimum hours: 8 hours a month. 4 hours every/other week
• Attend the following trainings or classes with OMSI:
  ○ Volunteer Orientation
  ○ Mandatory Reporter
  ○ Area specific training
• Supervisor will provide ongoing training on Teen Tech Center equipment and software during the shifts.

VOLUNTEER BENEFITS:

• Participation in an opportunity to provide input and feedback in the development of a new area of the museum.
• Training and a lifelong learning experience.
• Admission for the volunteer to the museum, theater and planetarium shows, and submarine tours.
• An OMSI Family Membership upon completion of 50 hours of volunteer service.
• Discounts in the OMSI Science Store and on-site restaurants.
• The opportunity to meet many new people and learn more about OMSI.

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