VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Open to qualified current staff only

SENIOR LIBRARY ASSOCIATE – Children’s
LIBRARY 21c
(Full time, non-exempt)
Position # 180131605

DATE POSTED: February 22, 2019
LOCATION: 1175 Chapel Hills Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80920
STARTING WAGE: $19.57 per hour + full benefits (for benefits information, please see: http://ppld.org/jobs/benefits)

NOTE: Regular schedule may be subject to minor changes due to required meetings, training events, etc. Also, management may require modifications to a position’s schedule, days, times and locations at any time as the needs of the Library District change.

PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION:
1. Complete a PPLD online application located at ppld.org/Jobs on the Application tab
2. Attachments should be submitted in the following file types: .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx, .pdf, .htm
3. Requires a cover letter and resume to be submitted with application.
4. If you require an accommodation to complete your job application, please contact the Human Resources Office at (719) 884-9800, Ext. 6998

CLOSING DATE: Online application materials must be received by March 18, 2019 at 9:59 p.m. MDT

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:
All selected candidates...

- are required to complete a Department of Homeland Security I-9 Form at the time of hire and must be able to provide acceptable documentation in order to verify his/her legal right to be employed in the U.S. (pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986). Pikes Peak Library District participates in E-Verify.
- are subject to a full reference and background investigation including verification of identification (including verification of Social Security number using USCIS E-verify), education, former employment, and criminal history.
- may be uniformly tested for job-related skills and required physical abilities.
- may be required to undergo a physical examination after a job offer is extended in order to ensure that the job’s physical requirements are met.
- must understand and comply with PPLD’s drug-free workplace policy.
- understand and agree that they have been hired at the will of the employer and that employment may be terminated at any time, with or without reason, and with or without notice, in accordance with Colorado law.

As an Equal Opportunity Employer, Pikes Peak Library District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation including gender expression, genetic information, military status, or any other status protected by law or regulation. It is our intention that all qualified applicants are given equal opportunity and that selection decisions be based on job-related factors. The library reserves the right to hire more than one person per advertised vacancy.

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SENIOR LIBRARY ASSOCIATE – Children’s (cont.)

POSITION SUMMARY: Operates in a diverse environment to help fulfill the Library’s mission by providing increasingly complex customer-focused public service, creating programs, and developing targeted activities for the children’s age group.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:
Functions listed are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work performed. The omission of specific duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

- Provides increasingly complex direct public services to customers as they visit the library, call on the telephone, or communicate in a virtual environment. Works in the Children’s department, primarily providing services to children of all ages, their parents, families, and caregivers.
- Provides excellent customer service and maintains a courteous, positive image of the Library; maintains confidentiality in all customer and staff interactions.
- Provides higher level technology support to customers, including providing individualized assistance that requires expert knowledge of equipment and software.
- Provides more advanced reference assistance.
- Engages in community outreach and programming and/or book talks with schools, businesses, or other community groups to expand visibility and partnerships with the library and community in conjunction with PPLD’s Communications and Marketing initiatives.
- Works closely with Children’s Services to serve as primary branch contact for homeschooling resources. Resources include (but are not limited to) Homeschool Discovery Packs, homeschool resource center, homeschool newsletter, etc. Serves on homeschool committee.
- Serves as point person for Library 21c’s Grow-a-Reader kits and Stories to Go.
- Provides oversight to districtwide events and services (Summer Adventure, Homeschool Science Fair, Homeschool Resource Fair, etc.) with Librarian/Managerial direction.
- Plans, creates and delivers local programs, creates program materials and handouts, trains program volunteers, and promotes programs through community or Lobby Stop contacts.
- Serves as lead for Music and Movement programming at Library 21c.
- Serves as liaison for History Colorado Center including management of history kits to be used by schools.
- Creates and maintains social media platforms to showcase events, programs and services in conjunction with PPLD’s Communications and Marketing Department.
- Has in-depth knowledge of specialized areas of the collection and assists in maintaining that collection in the branch or mobile library; trains and assists other branch staff in the use or maintenance of that collection and specific patron needs; may index special collections materials; may recommend material purchase to Collection Management.
- Provides guidance and training to other staff or volunteers and takes a lead role in volunteer selection and placement, as assigned by supervisor.
- Acts as person-in-charge as assigned; assumes responsibility for safe and effective daily operation of the library in the absence of a supervisor; ensures that security and safety reports are completed accurately and submitted as required.
- Acts as a resource provider for specific service areas, including targeted age groups, lobby stops with mobile library services, technology programming and support, makerspaces/creative commons equipment and activities, special collections, or the Educational Resource Center.
ADDITIONAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
Duties are considered non-essential and include the following:

- Performs other support activities such as troubleshooting computer and office equipment, compiling data, and monitoring/ordering office or program supplies.
- Provides support for specialized projects, services, programs and activities related to divisional strategic goals and objectives.
- Keeps informed about Library and department information.
- Attends regular department meetings and scheduled staff meetings.
- Performs other job-related duties as assigned.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:
The employee is expected to perform or possess the following:

- Knowledge of the Pikes Peak Library District’s policies and procedures and ability to follow them.
- Ability to act as an ambassador of Pikes Peak Library District by promoting its mission and vision to the public.
- Demonstrates knowledge of current library services and trends.
- Ability to work independently and effectively organize daily work under general supervision.
- Knowledge of more complex computer technology and applications and ability to effectively train others.
- Ability to work as part of a team, demonstrating an excellent customer service attitude and meet deadlines in a fast-paced, detail-rich environment.
- Demonstrates flexibility to actively support change in order to meet strategic goals and objectives.
- Demonstrates excellent verbal and written communication skills; maintains effective relationships with customers, coworkers, and with staff at all levels.
- Demonstrates ability to effectively use applications software, including Microsoft Word, Excel, Access, and Outlook, along with standard office equipment.
- Demonstrates ability to exhibit sound judgment and demeanor in public interactions; thinks and acts appropriately under pressure.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Requires a Bachelor’s degree in any field.
- Requires a minimum of two years of library experience or other customer service experience (library experience preferred).
- Requires experience with computer equipment and software applications.
- Bilingual ability is a plus in serving a diverse community.

PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS:
Work is primarily conducted in an office setting that provides comfortable lighting, temperature and air conditions. Position requires the ability to sit and use a computer or standard office equipment for extended periods. Position requires the ability to stand for extended periods of time. Position requires the ability to occasionally reach, bend, climb, twist and squat. Position requires the ability to lift up to 35 pounds. Ability to push a loaded book truck required.

Work environment involves everyday risks or discomforts that require normal safety precautions typical of such places as offices or meeting rooms, e.g. use of safe workplace practices with office equipment, and/or avoidance of trips and falls and observance of fire regulations.