General Position Description for the TRT at Steamtown NHS

The purpose of this position is to allow the teacher to more fully explore a national park to enrich his/her students with a clearer understanding and appreciation of park resources, and develop activities that will be used in the classroom during the school year. All teachers will be provided with general orientation to the mission and operation of the National Park Service.

Major Duties may include the following:

- Prepares and presents a variety of formal and informal programs including orientations talks, conducted walks, guided tours, slide programs, Junior Ranger programs, demonstrations, education programs for children and adults, roving interpretation, and campfire programs.
- Conducts independent research on varied topics for the purpose of providing resource education programs. Learns about park resources by attending in-park training, reading park research materials and maps, and by interviewing other park rangers or staff, researchers, and other professionals.
- Works to identify and develop curriculum-based learning activities relevant to both park resources and the teaching needs of the school district or organization.
- Assists with data collection in resource management efforts.
- Presents programs in uniform to other teachers, administrators, students, and schools during National Park Week.
- Provides statistics to the National Park Service for both in-park and in-classroom activities.
- May provide emergency medical services within the scope of training and certification.

The duties will:

1) Facilitate visitor understanding and enjoyment of park resources. Visitors include all park audiences, whether visiting physically or intellectually via the Web, publications, school programs, etc.

2) Encourage citizens, especially students, to develop a sense of stewardship for park resources.

3) Facilitate and induce visitor behavior consistent with resource protection by gaining friendly compliance with the laws and rules for safe use of the park and positive exposure to National Park values.