



### Education Outreach Coordinator - aka Robotics Handler!

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#### Who Are We?

We manage competitive industry clusters like *Aerospace*, *Logistics*, and *Technology/Cybersecurity*. We research and publicize the growth of our state and design ways to get the message of South Carolina's business community and major industries out of the Southeast and into the world beyond our borders. Moreover, we collaborate with business leaders, educators, students, parents, and policy makers to transform our schools so that our student graduates are prepared for careers, college, and citizenship. The SC Competes Team works directly with schools; public agencies; cutting-edge aerospace technology manufacturers; major corporations within supply chains; technology/cybersecurity firms; and transportation, distribution, and logistics companies.

The South Carolina Council on Competitiveness was formed in 2004 by a broad-range of stakeholders from the public, private, academic, and nonprofit sectors to help our citizens, our businesses, and our state become more competitive on the global stage. Our work supports economic development efforts across the state through economic research, support for industry clusters, and education and workforce development initiatives. **One day...we are digging into technology/cybersecurity economic impact numbers touted by our policy leaders and companies; the next, spending time with K-12 students to get them excited about tech/cyber careers!** Check us out on [www.sccompetes.org](http://www.sccompetes.org)!

#### What Would I Do Every Day?

We're looking for an organized team player to join our non-profit as our part-time Education Outreach Coordinator. Working under the direction, initially, of our Director of Technology & Cybersecurity Initiatives, you will be helping us to coordinate utilization of our Boston Dynamics "Spot" robotic dog, which we are using to get kids and young

people - and even adults! - excited about careers involving technology, robotics, and automation.

“Spot” (which will be renamed by our school kids later in the year) will be launched into schools starting in the 2023/24 school year. A marketing campaign will launch at the start of August 2023 to notify schools across the state that Spot can be brought on-site for a demonstration and conversation around careers in technology, with a heavy focus on Workforce of the Future, to include AI, automation, smart technologies, and beyond. There will be teacher resources for supplemental learning after the visit.

Not only will you be hanging out with Spot, we would also need for you to help to manage the specific requests and application process for use of Spot, scheduling visits, oversee the logistics and planning related to use of Spot at the location, transporting and handling Spot, assisting with ongoing software maintenance and updates.

Moreover, this position has the potential to expand into a full-time role and to add on additional exciting in-school activities such as our supply chain games.

#### **What Attributes Are We Looking For?**

- Flexible in working hours and ability to travel around South Carolina (mileage would be reimbursed at the prevailing rate set by the IRS)
- Understand and be able to work within educational settings
- Be knowledgeable about technology careers
- Have technical proficiency in operating machinery
- Familiarity with coding or software programming a PLUS
- Experience within logistics/supply chain operations a PLUS
- **Be able to lift 100 pounds** – Spot is a heavy, complex machine and, due to the weight, OSHA requires two people when moving and transporting Spot.

#### **What Is Attractive to the Right Candidate?**

- With an eye on the future, and many initiatives underway, SC Competes is an exciting place for professionals who enjoy a culture of teamwork and respect.
- This role will leverage all of your skills and allow you an opportunity to learn new ones.
- We work as a TEAM but within a small, entrepreneurial environment that is mission-oriented and results-driven.
- You get to serve as a positive influence on the career pathways of our young people.
- You get to “play” with a robot, enough said!