

Summer Camp Volunteer

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Position Description

Job Title: Summer Camp Volunteer

Reports To: Assistant Camp Director

Purpose and Summary

LSNC camps encourage discovery, learning, and outdoor play for kids ages 4-11. Our camps are incredibly active and take place outside—even when it is raining, hot, or chilly. Summer Camp Volunteers are an integral part of LSNC's summer camp team. Volunteers assist Summer Camp Educators in providing an educational, fun, and safe camp experience for all LSNC campers. Volunteers provide additional supervision, lead games and activities, help serve snack and maintain program spaces, and mentor campers. Through work and leadership training, volunteers gain valuable job experience, learn leadership skills, develop new friendships, stay active, and have fun!

Essential Functions

- Serve as a positive role model by making safe choices, participating in all activities, using positive language, and being silly and fun
- Assist Summer Camp Educators with supervising campers
- Help lead activities, games, and crafts
- Participate in weekly development and skill building sessions
- Support camp success by serving snack, maintaining program spaces and equipment, and giving campers 1:1 attention
- Be able to commit to at least two weeks of volunteer work throughout the summer, between 8am and 4pm, Monday-Friday

Qualifications

- Must be 13-17 years old (preference is given to those in 9th grade and up)
- Volunteer experience or interest in environmental issues, outdoor programming and education, camp, teaching, or leadership
- Responsible and honest, with an interest in mentoring younger kids
- Ability and willingness to demonstrate a positive attitude and be a team player
- Interest in spending the summer outside, rain or shine
- Ability to work outside in all weather conditions, walk long distances and on uneven terrain
- Ability to work in an environment which includes exposure to unvaccinated youth and environmental allergens including but not limited to food allergens (nuts, flour, dairy, etc.), dust, mold, pollen, live birds, insects, and other animals

Schedule and Time Commitment

Summer Camp Volunteers must be able to commit to *at least* two full weeks of volunteering between June 18 and August 31, 2018, Monday-Friday from 8am-4pm. Schedule will be determined based on volunteer preference and availability and the scheduling needs of LSNC summer camp. Volunteers are also expected to attend three pre-summer orientation and training sessions and are invited to a volunteer appreciation breakfast on the last day of the summer:

- Three mandatory training sessions will be held in May 2018. Dates will be announced mid-March, 2018.
- Volunteer Appreciation: Friday, August 31, 2018, 8am-1pm