



Wildlands Conservancy

Job Description

TITLE: Environmental Educator in Training

CLASSIFICATION: Volunteer

DEPARTMENT: Education

DIRECT REPORT: Director of Education

DESCRIPTION:

Under the direction of the Director of Environmental Education, the Environmental Educator in Training is responsible for assisting Environmental Educators in implementing safe, fun, nature exploration experiences.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- Be a role model to campers and staff in your attitude and behavior
- Support Environmental Educator(s) with preparing for summer camp classes including but not limited to class space preparation, collecting materials and supplies, cleaning up after programs, and organization.
- Assists Environmental Educator(s) with summer camp activities including but not limited to crafts, games, hikes, equipment instruction (e.g.-binoculars, microscopes, aquatic nets);
- Ability to learn organization techniques, policies and procedures for a successful and safe summer camp.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Minimum age 14 and a rising high school freshman.
- High level of interest and basic understanding of natural history and feel a connection with nature.
- Ability to work in a variety of settings, terrain, and weather conditions.
- Ability to work with individuals of all ages and abilities.
- Ability to work independently and within a team.

- Show compassion, empathy and patience while maintaining an unwavering sense of humor.
- Tolerance of inclement weather conditions.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and a professional demeanor.
- Ability to acquire Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance; Pennsylvania State Police request for criminal record check; FBI Federal Criminal History Certification (if in the state of pa less than 10 years) and over 18 years of age
- Completed volunteer profile form
- Completed formal interview by Director of Education or designee
- Participating in a training session

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Wildlands Conservancy offices are smoke-free.
- Indoors and outdoors near/in water, on trails that are rough terrain, meadow, woods.
- Minimum of two weeklong commitments for a.m. (9am-12pm), p.m. (12-4pm) or full day (9am-4pm) sessions. Camp is located at Dorothy Rider Pool Wildlife Sanctuary-Emmaus.

DRESS CODE

- Environmental Educators in Training volunteers will receive Wildlands Conservancy staff t-shirts but are expected to wear khaki-colored shorts and close-toed shoes. More specific information will be provided.

BENEFITS

- Opportunity to work directly with highly qualified and skilled professional Wildlands Conservancy Environmental Educators to learn the appropriate techniques of developing and presenting environmental education programs in a summer camp setting.
- Learn to develop leadership skills
- Career exploration opportunities
- Free participation in select WC programs