

**Employment Opportunity** 

Summer 2024 Nature Day Camp Counselor

Pay rate: \$350 per camp week, In addition, high school credit may be available.

**Summary:** Counselors report to the Conservation District Educator and are responsible for aiding in the supervision of all camp participants. Counselors support the teaching and activity goals of the Educator, Field Experts and Volunteers. Counselors will be expected to model enthusiasm, lead team-building games and help ensure the safety and well-being of all participants. Counselors may serve as the group leader for a small, age-based pod of children and/or an activity leader for camp crafts or group games.

**Requirements:** Must be at least 14 years of age or older. Must be available to attend a mandatory 3 hour training on the Friday prior to each camp week and work Monday – Thursday, 8:30am-1:30pm, for the 4-day camp session. Prospective camp counselors may apply for one to three sessions of camp; however, strong preference will be given to candidates who are available for all three weeks of camp: Pond Camp June 17-20, Forest Camp July 8-11 and Farm Camp July 29-August 1.

**Qualifications:** Previous work or volunteer experience with children ages 5-11. Must be comfortable in wild outdoor settings and all weather conditions. An outgoing and energetic personality is a must.

## **Job Responsibilities:**

- Help maintain a safe and enjoyable camp environment: Log check-in and check-out accurately.
   Perform head-counts throughout the morning. Ensure campers are safe, properly hydrated and aware of environmental hazards such as poison ivy.
- Lead campers in games, crafts, hands-on activities, Field Expert presentations and hikes.
- Interact enthusiastically with parents/guardians during drop-off and pick-up times.
- Assist with daily set-up and clean-up of the camp area.

Required Skills: Comfortable in group settings, Punctual and Organized, Responsible and Kind.

**Preferred Skills and interests include any of the following:** Interest in science and nature. Wilderness skills such as hiking and animal tracking. Farm experience, for example animal care, gardening. Education and child development. Team games, chants, drama and music, arts and craft skills.

Character Traits: Energetic, Friendly, Patient, Inquisitive

Interested applicants may submit an application available online at <a href="https://www.oceanaconservation.org/employment">https://www.oceanaconservation.org/employment</a>
Questions? Contact OCD Educator Kiki at kari.wilson@macd.org.