



Outdoor Education Adventures Camp Counselor Job Openings

Position Summary

The Summer Camp Counselor position is an opportunity to learn under the supervision and guidance of experienced environmental educators. In this role, the Summer Camp Counselor will assist with the delivery of Outdoor Education Adventures (OEA) Youth Summer Camps. This position is responsible for the safety, enjoyment, and education of summer camp campers ages 5-12 years.

This position works as a teammate to other OEA summer camp staff and volunteers and reports directly to the OEA Program Directors.

This is a seasonal position. The Summer Camp Counselor will work for five weeks with an option to work two additional weeks from the end of June through August 2023.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Assist with managing camp participants;
- Supervise children to ensure camp rules and safety protocols are followed;
- Facilitate camp activities and help children as needed and requested by the Program Directors;
- Help with set up and clean up of activities and facilities;
- Treat participants and staff with kindness and respect while consistently maintaining group agreements;
- Lead by example by being kind, inclusive, humble, patient, proud, considerate, grateful, and honest;
- Respect and preserve land, wildlife, and facilities for current and future users;
- Recognize, mitigate, and respond to hazards, conflicts, and inappropriate behavior by campers or staff;
- Communicate with Program Directors about any hazards, conflicts or other challenges that arise;
- Provide feedback to Program Directors with the goal of making programs better and more impactful;
- Assist other OEA staff as needed.

Minimum Qualifications

- Must be at least 15 years of age;
- Self-motivated, outgoing, reliable, and punctual;
- Able to work effectively with co-workers, kids, parents, and community members;
- Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in teaching and community;
- Ability to be flexible and adjust quickly to changing circumstances;
- Ability to get to and from camp program sites on-time each day;
- Ability to move around outdoors, while carrying program gear, in a variety of weather conditions for hours at a time;
- Must be able to pass a background check if 18 years of age or older per Oregon Department of Education guidelines;
- Interest in youth development and learning about the environment.

Preferred Qualifications (Not Required)

- Prior experience working with youth, particularly outside;
- Knowledge of local natural history and flora and fauna;
- CPR & 1st aid certification;
- Language proficiency or fluency in a language other than English; Spanish, Russian, and/or American Sign Language preferred.

Working conditions

OEA maintains a positive work environment. Employees are expected to dress and act in an appropriately professional manner at all times while representing OEA, use good judgment and make sound decisions in the absence of specific directions. The majority of work will occur between the hours of 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

Physical requirements

The Summer Camp Counselor will regularly be working with OEA staff, students, and volunteers in an outdoor setting. Candidates must be capable of strenuous work on uneven terrain. Candidates must also have the ability to work in variable weather conditions (heat, rain, snow) and have adequate personal outdoor clothing to ensure comfort.

Compensation

\$14.20 an hour (or the updated minimum wage)

Work Schedule

Summer Camp Counselors will be expected to participate in a training day in mid June and to work at least five weeks of camp. Each camp is five days, Monday-Friday. Counselors will work for 35 hours each camp week. The camp weeks are:

- Training: Tuesday, June 20, 9:00 pm - 4:00 pm at Charles Metsker County Park
- June 26-June 30 at Miller Woods
- July 10-14 at Charles Metsker Park
- July 17 - 21 at Ewing Young Park
- July 24-28 at Charles Metsker Park
- Aug 7-11 at Charles Metsker Park
- Aug 14 - 18 at Ewing Young Park
- Aug 21-25 at Charles Metsker Park

To Apply

Fill out our online application: <https://forms.gle/Si9pXrx3wNXovevN7>. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

If you are not able to complete this form online, please contact us at info@OutdoorEdAdventures.com for an alternative option.

Questions

Please contact Theresa Crain at 971-267-2913 or email info@OutdoorEdAdventures.com. Visit our website, www.OutdoorEdAdventures.com, to learn more about us.