



Outdoor Education Center
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The Outdoor Education Center of For Love of Children

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Position: 2019 Summer Program Counselor

Location: The FLOC Outdoor Education Center, located on 350 acres near Harpers Ferry, WV

Position Duration: June 3 – August 9, 2019

Position Description: Are you interested in an experience different than the typical summer camp environment? Do you have a passion for learning, exploring, and teaching about the outdoors? If so, the Outdoor Education Center of For Love of Children may be a good fit for you. Our camps are aimed at, but don't exclusively serve, at-risk youth in a Monday-Friday residential setting. We explore everything from basic survival skills, to team development, to arts and sciences in the outdoors. The Outdoor Education Center (OEC) is seeking qualified individuals to teach and co-teach outdoor education, teambuilding, communication, and nature appreciation to youth. Our staff of Summer Program Counselors will have the opportunity to facilitate low and high ropes courses, lead outdoor adventure activities, arts activities and implement environmental education curriculum.

Individual Responsibilities:

- Participate in paid staff training, June 3 – June 14, 2019
- Serve as a leader, mentor and role model for all participants, primarily youth ages 10-16
- Co-instruct groups of campers in outdoor, environmental, adventure and camp theme related education lessons:
 - Teambuilding via high and low ropes challenge course facilitation
 - Canoeing
 - Visual Arts
 - Rock Climbing
 - Recycling and Composting
 - Basic Survival Skills
 - Performing Arts
 - STEM Topics (Astronomy, Geology, Physics, and others)
 - Watershed and local ecology studies
- Manage physical and emotional safety of participants by maintaining and encouraging a safe and positive learning environment
- Residential duties: staff will sleep in cabins on site Monday through Friday and assist campers and OEC senior staff with the OEC's "Hands to Work" facility maintenance model

Cooperative Staff Responsibilities:

- Lead evening activities
- Attend weekly staff meetings
- Co-facilitate with other counselors
- Maintain positive team environment
- Documentation of camper behavior/incidents/accidents, as needed

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Qualifications

- 18 years of age or older
- Related work experience
- Ability to work long hours, in all weather
- Desire to work with youth in an outdoor setting
- Sincere interest in creating a positive learning environment

Preferred Qualifications

- Experience with teambuilding, ropes/challenge courses
- Experience with adventure/environmental education
- Wilderness First Aid certification

Benefits

- Summer Stipend
- Room and board provided
- Free outdoor gear rental
- Ideal setting for outdoor adventures- the OEC is located between the Appalachian Trail and the Shenandoah River
- American Red Cross First Aid/CPR certification
- American Canoe Association Tandem Canoe training

To Apply

Please email a resume and cover letter detailing relevant experience, to the OEC Program Coordinator, Deidra Goodwin, at dgoodwin@floc.org.

For additional information, please contact the Outdoor Education Center at (304) 725-0409.

Applications are handled on a first-come, first-served basis and will not be accepted after May 1, 2019.

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