



SOMERSET COUNTY PARK COMMISSION
is hiring
2022 SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS



General statement of work

Working under the direction of a full-time Naturalist, Summer Camp Counselors assist Naturalists with environmental education programs. Responsibilities include interacting with children by assisting with activities such as paddling, crafts, swimming, hiking, water play, games, and field trips. *Our mission is to stimulate awareness and understanding of the natural world in order to foster a sense of responsibility for its care.*

Nature and Scope of Activities

Coyote Kids (ages 4-6), Eco-Explorers (ages 7-9) and AWESIM KIDS (ages 10-13) summer science programs are based at Lord Stirling Park Environmental Education Center (EEC) in Basking Ridge, NJ. The programs offer several sessions throughout the summer. Sessions run daily, Monday through Friday, 9:00am-Noon for Coyote Kids, and 9:00am-4:00pm for Eco-Explorers and AWESIM KIDS. Each session is unique, and promotes curiosity about the natural world through fun and immersive hands-on, place-based outdoor experiences.

The EEC is nestled within 550 acres of the western portion of the Great Swamp Basin of the Passaic River. There are nine miles of hiking trails through diverse habitats consisting of swamp, forest, pond, and meadows. This year-round Center offers hundreds of hours of educational programming and special events for participants of all ages.

Duties

1. Assist with preparation, set-up, delivery, and clean-up of fun and engaging environmental education lessons and recreational activities.
2. Help maintain a safe, educational, and playful environment for program participants.
3. Sanitize daily program supplies and instructional materials.
4. Work a flexible schedule, as needed.
5. Assist Naturalists as needed.
6. Present a positive image as a Park Commission representative to all facility users and the public.
7. Follow Park Commission policies and procedures.

Qualifications

Current enrollment in high school with an interest in education, nature, and the environment. Ability to attend a mandatory training period in June and commit to working the duration of specific camp sessions with a minimum of two weeks employment and maximum employment of 9 weeks from June through August. First Aid and CPR certification may be included during training period. Must be able to pass a criminal background check.

Compensation

\$11.90 per hour. Housing not provided.

To Apply

To apply, e-mail application to EEC Supervisor, at kbender@scparcs.org or via mail to the attention of:
Kurt Bender, Supervisor
Environmental Education Center
190 Lord Stirling Rd.
Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

For more information, call 908.722.1200 Ext.5332.

Individuals with a hearing/speech impairment may call the Relay Service @711.

Reasonable accommodations may be made, where necessary, to allow a qualified individual to perform essential job functions.