Nature Camp Counselor-in-Training
Volunteer Description

Overview

The Watershed Institute is seeking enthusiastic volunteers for our popular summer camp program. Watershed Nature Camp is an 8-week outdoor day camp that provides immersion in nature on 950 acres in Hopewell Township (Mercer Co), NJ. We value diversity, inclusion, and respect for all living things and the land. We are committed to building a culturally diverse organization and strongly encourage applications from people of color, and neighboring communities. We strive to inspire future generations of environmental scientists and naturalists. Watershed Nature Camp volunteers will uphold and model these values while providing a healthy, safe, and fun experience for campers.

Qualifications

- Age 15 or older by June 24, 2024
- Experience working or volunteering with children, including babysitting
- Enthusiasm for working in an outdoor setting
- Enthusiasm for nature, the environment, and sustainability
- Ability to work as part of a team
- Ability to work outside all day during hot and humid summer weather
- Ability to walk for at least 2-6 miles a day on uneven terrain
- Must be available to work at least two full weeks between June 24 and August 16, 2024, Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm
- Must be available for 8-10 hours of training after school hours between June 9-14, 2024
- New CITs must be available for one of the following virtual Orientation sessions:
    - Thursday, May 16 from 5:00-6:00pm
    - Tuesday, May 28 from 4:30-5:30pm

Responsibilities:

- Being a good role model of all camp rules and protocols
- Engaging with campers during hikes, activities, games, and down-times
- Working as a team with camp staff or other CITs to attain camp goals
- Helping with and occasionally leading activities or games
- Helping to prepare and clean up materials
- Assisting camp staff with camper management
- Attend scheduled orientation and training sessions

Application

Please submit the 2024 Counselor-in-Training Application by **Friday, May 17, 2024.**