



## **SUMMER CAMP NATURE SPECIALIST**

Full-time, seasonal position. Reporting to the Camp Director/Youth Programs Manager.

### **Position Summary**

The summer camp Nature Specialist is for a dynamic and energetic individual, with proven experience in nature based youth education. The Nature Specialist is responsible for planning, leading, and implementing a variety of environmentally based programs for children ages 6-16 during day camp.

### **Availability**

Position is full-time, seasonal. The Nature Specialist must be available 8:30am-4:00pm, Monday-Friday from June 18 thru August 17, 2018 (Except July 4). Specialist must also be available for an additional time slot, selected from: before care (starting at 7:30am) or after care (staying up until 5:30pm). Opportunities for additional hours may also be available. This position will require 40 hours of pre-camp curriculum development.

### **Compensation**

\$12.00 - \$14.00/hour, commensurate with experience.

### **Duties/Responsibilities**

- Share Tyler's rich heritage, collections and landscape to inspire and engage stewards of the natural world
- Organize and lead a variety of environmental programs, based on the week's theme
- Close activity times with a debrief/reflection to help campers create connections and apply newly learned skills to future experiences
- Know and understand all emergency procedures associated with the camp program
- Follow all policies and procedures for maintaining supervision of campers at all times
- Identify and respond positively to camper behavior issues
- Set the "spirit" of camp by exhibiting passion about nature, camp and community
- Report to work on time, dressed appropriately, and ready for camp
- Other duties as assigned

### **Essential Requirements**

- A strong desire to teach and share knowledge and enthusiasm for the natural world
- Ability to develop and lead engaging and fun environmental programming
- Ability to teach a variety of age groups: 5-11, 11-13, & 13-16.
- Experience facilitating experiential learning and/or team building activities; Understanding of Kolb's Experiential Learning Cycle desired
- The desire and ability to work in a cooperative, team-oriented atmosphere
- Willingness and ability to participate in nature activities with campers, which includes, but are not limited to, hiking, team building initiatives, physical games, and activities

- A background in education or the natural sciences is desirable
- First aid and CPR certification, or willingness to be certified
- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Satisfactory completion of the required background checks  
(Note: Tyler has the right to assign or reassign duties and responsibilities to this job at any time.)

### **Work Environment**

- General work on the Arboretum's grounds.
- Requires frequent and prolonged standing, walking, bending, kneeling, pulling, twisting and climbing.
- Must be able to lift up to 50 pounds.
- Ability to work outdoors in all weather conditions.

### **About Tyler**

Tyler Arboretum, a public garden in the Philadelphia suburbs, covers 650 acres of renowned plant collections, champion trees, and historic buildings, with 17 miles of hiking trails through woodlands, wetlands, and meadows. Tyler offers workshops, classes, and tours for adults and children throughout the year.

### **To Apply**

Please complete the Summer Camp Application and e-mail along with your résumé or work history to Liz Hornbach, Camp Director/Youth Programs Manager at [lhornbach@tylerarboretum.org](mailto:lhornbach@tylerarboretum.org). Applications will be accepted with a rolling deadline until position is filled.

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