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Job Title: Nature Camp Group Leader

Employment Dates: June 10, 2024 - August 16, 2024; No Camp July 1-5, 2024

Days and Hours: 8:00am - 4:30pm, Monday - Friday

Rate of Pay and Benefits: \$13.10 - \$17.40

About: Johnson Nature Center (JNC), operated by Bloomfield Hills Schools, is a 40 acre natural site that offers visitors a natural sanctuary and many place-based learning opportunities. It's open year-round for schools and community educational programs and has over 2 miles of trails. Camp programming at the Johnson Nature Center provides children, ages 3-13, an opportunity to explore science and the natural world while creating lasting memories and friendships.

Position Overview: As a Nature Camp Group Leader, you will be responsible for leading a group of campers through a daily schedule of hands-on learning activities. Camp activities are focused around the natural environment through a science, history, and art lens. Specific activities may include pond study, making art with natural materials, and engaging campers in STEAM projects. Nature Camp Group Leaders must be excited to work with children within an outdoor learning environment as well as be physically able to work outdoors in various weather conditions.

Role and Responsibilities:

Pre-Camp:

- Complete all onboarding paperwork prior to the first day of staff training, 06/10/24.
- Attend and actively participate in required staff training, 06/10/24 – 06/21/24

During Camp:

- Participate fully in the implementation of Camp, 06/24/24 – 08/16/24 (Note: no camp July 1-5)
- Passionately engage children in place-based camp activities each day
- Maintain a physically safe environment, implementing risk management practices and strategies
- Maintain an emotionally safe environment, with a commitment to a growth mindset
- Exercise an unwavering commitment to valuing diversity and contributing to an inclusive learning and camp environment
- Mentor camp volunteers of high school age
- Contribute to daily camp set up and clean up; organize and be responsible for camp materials
- Comply with all BHS and LARA policies and procedures
- Support other components of the Camp program, as needed

Post Camp:

- Complete end of season feedback survey

Minimum Skills and Qualifications

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Demonstrated experience working with youth
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively with diverse communities
- This is a fast paced position. Candidates should be able to multitask, adapt to a rapidly changing environment, and have strong verbal communication skills
- Ability to be resilient, maintain a great attitude, and be solution oriented
- Ability to meet the physical demands of the position (i.e. working outdoors in various weather conditions, animal care, traversing uneven terrain and stairs, lifting up to 25-30 lbs, and occasionally up to 50 lbs.)

Preferred Skills and Qualifications

- College level coursework in early childhood or elementary education
- Prior knowledge or a strong interest in environmental studies, ecology, forestry, geology, botany, youth education, public health, place-based learning, or a related field is preferred
- Teachable skills! Skills that you can teach to the campers are highly desirable (e.g., crafting, singing, STEM-based activities)

Reports to: Camp Coordinator

Key Collaborators: Camp Group Leaders

Location: In-person, local

Method of application:

All applicants must submit an application at: [Bloomfield Hills Schools Job Postings Page](#)

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