

# San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust River Camp Alternate Counselor

## General Description

River Camp is a summer day camp program held along the San Joaquin River. There are currently four River Camp programs: Young Explorers Camp, River Camp Adventurers at Scout Island, River Camp Rangers at Owl Hollow, River Camp Voyagers at Sycamore Island and River Camp at Firebaugh. For additional descriptions of each of the programs, please visit our Pre-Application Information Guide or our website.

River Camp programs typically include wildlife habitat exploration, swimming and canoeing, games, arts and crafts, songs, and free time. River Camp programs are conducted entirely outdoors. Applicants should be physically capable of comfortably working outside for up to 8 hours each day. Training on safety, working with youth, and specific camp activities is provided. River Camp staff report directly to the respective River Camp Director and are responsible for conducting the day-to-day activities of camp.

#### **ALTERNATE COUNSELOR RESPONSIBILITIES & DUTIES**

- Supervising groups of 9-11 campers (ages pre-k high school)
- Leading camp games, songs and activities, and providing supervision during water activities
- Providing leadership for and direction of Junior Leaders (high school volunteers)
- Alternate counselors attend training and typically work 3-6 weeks as a counselor at one or more camp sites throughout the season

All positions assist with materials management and maintenance, site organization and cleanliness, and may be asked to perform other duties related to the daily implementation of camp programs by the respective Camp Director.

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS & QUALIFICATIONS (All Positions)**

- Must be 18 years of age or older or a high school graduate
- Live Scan (electronic fingerprinting) and DMV report required upon job offer
- Ability to maintain a positive learning environment, high energy and positive attitude
- Ability to work well with parents, other adults, peers and children
- Ability to stand, stoop, kneel, crouch, walk, swim, use hands/fingers (dexterity) and lift up to 40 lbs
- Ability to work outdoors in heat (sometimes exceeding 110°F)
- Previous successful experience working with children
- Interest in the outdoors and water activities; experience with watercraft/canoes preferred
- Knowledge and/or appreciation of conservation and the natural world
- Spanish and/or Hmong language ability preferred

#### TIME COMMITMENT

Time commitments will vary at each individual program; information listed below may be subject to change.

Staff may request a **maximum** of one-week personal time off (vacation, etc.) during the camp season.

River Camp Young Explorers – 8:00 am – 1:00 pm, Tu-Th, June 7th-August 4th; additional days as necessary

River Camp Adventurers at Scout Island – 8:45 am – 4:30 pm, M-F, June 6th-August 5th

River Camp Rangers at Owl Hollow – 8:15 am – 4:30 pm, M-F, June 6th-August 5th

River Camp Voyagers at Sycamore Island

River Camp at Firebaugh – 8:15 am – 4:00 pm, M-F, June 13th-July 29th; additional days as necessary

AM/PM Assistant at River Camp Adventurers - part-time, split-shift position from 7:15 am - 9:15 am and 3:45 - 5:45 pm, M-F, June 6th- August 5th

## To Apply

- Complete and submit the electronic Application Questionnaire.
- New staff applicants are asked to participate in a second interview; full information will be provided.
- Physically or electronically submit a cover letter\* describing your skills as they apply to the listed Responsibilities and Qualifications, a resume, and a completed <u>Job Application</u>. Please be sure to provide both a phone number and e-mail address for the references listed in the application. Applications may be submitted to:

San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, Attn: River Camp 11605 Old Friant Rd, Fresno, CA 93730 Or electronically with the subject line "River Camp Application" to Molly Schnur-Salimbene at mschnur-salimbene@riverparkway.org.

### Positions open until filled.

Please take a moment to review one of the many online guides <u>detailing how to write a cover letter</u> and how to write a resume before submitting your completed application packet.

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