

Ijams Summer Nature Adventure Camp

At Ijams Nature Center we are a team of nature enthusiasts and educators, working together to help ensure that each camper has a wonderful and enriching camp experience. It takes an excellent staff to manage a successful summer camp and we take great pride in the men and women that are carefully selected each year to help care for our campers. We hire 3 general categories of staff each summer for our day camp: Camp Coordinator, Counselors and Activity Specialist. The dates for camp are from June 4 to August 3 and will operate Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM. You must be 18 years and older to be considered for a position. All jobs are seasonal.

To Apply: please email your resume to Christie Collins at ccollins@ijams.org.

Activity Specialist: Canoe Staff

Job Descriptions: Canoe staff will lead and teach the boating programs at Meads Quarry Lake and the Tennessee River. Boating instruction will include canoeing. Responsibilities and expectations include the following:

Job Requirements:

- Demonstrate effective communication skills
- Ability to create a positive atmosphere for staff and campers
- Provide sequential, progressive, and effective boating skills instruction while following safety guidelines and making judgments with respect to the health of the crew, weather conditions, and possible emergency issues
- Oversee program specific risk management and emergency action planning
- Logistics management of all boating activities
- Equipment inventory and maintenance
- Well organized, self-motivated, enthusiastic, and mature individual
- Water safety and risk management knowledge
- Experience working with youth
- Promote camper participation
- First Aid and CPR certified by first day of employment
- ACA certified (not required but encouraged)

*Must attend required training for Canoeing Staff

While performing the duties of this job, this employee is asked to spend the majority of the time outdoors, and may be exposed to dust, temperature variance, weather variance, noise, pollens and fumes. The employee is required to sit, talk, hear, use keyboard, view computer monitor for potentially long periods and use phones. The employee occasionally will be required to lift and/or move 15-40 pounds and may need to carry for approximate distances up to 50 feet, bend, reach with hands and arms, use fingers to write or type and handle or feel, walk, carry documents, crouch, stoop, kneel, climb stairs, and use a step ladder in lifting and lowering materials. The position requires occasional use of office equipment such as computer, copier, hole punch, calculator, fax machine, postage machine and Point-of-Sale system. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus. This position will spend about 90% of its time outdoors, in all weather conditions.

How to Apply

Email or mail a cover letter, resume and a list of references to Christie Collins, Summer Camp Director, at ccollins@ijams.org. No phone calls, please.

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