



## **Camp Aftercare Coordinator**

Camp Schuylkill is an environmentally-focused program dedicated to letting children immerse themselves in nature through free play and exploration. Free, unstructured play is a vital part of a child's development to build strong, social, and cognitive skills. We are seeking highly motivated, energetic, creative leaders to facilitate and oversee the program for children between the ages of 4–12 years old.

Camp Aftercare Coordinator is a part time position with work hours from 3:00–6:15 PM, Monday through Friday.

### **Duties include:**

- Planning and implementing activities for aftercare participants that align with weekly themes
- Supervising and mentoring aftercare camp staff
- Assisting the managers of other camp groups with training week for all educators
- Serving as the main point-of-contact for aftercare
- Communicating with camper families
- Mentoring aftercare camp staff on child development and age-appropriate pedagogy, including working together on creative solutions to behavioral challenges

### **Qualifications:**

#### *Required*

- Applicants must be 22 years or older
- A solid understanding of child development and age-appropriate pedagogy
- Experience working with children of various ages
- Comfortable in the outdoors and in all weather conditions
- Experience and knowledge of the Reggio Emilia philosophy and emergent curriculum
- Ability to supervise and mentor multiple staff members with compassion and effective communication
- Demonstrated ability to be a positive role model for staff and campers
- Strong communications skills and confidence in leading staff and campers
- Experience in developing nature-based activities for various age groups
- Ability to effectively problem solve and work with staff on creative solutions to problems

#### *Helpful But Not Required*

- A familiarity with working with children in an outdoor setting
- An understanding of how to best support children with special needs and/or varying abilities

- Associate or Bachelor's Degree or major in Environmental Science, Education, Early Childhood Education, Biology, Botany, Horticulture, Agriculture, Outdoor Leadership, or related field

**Background Clearances:** If hired, employees are responsible for providing a valid Pennsylvania child abuse clearance, state criminal background check, FBI criminal background check, Mandated Reporter training, and other background checks that the Schuylkill Center requires based on the applicant's state residency. First Aid/CPR training will be provided to applicants who don't currently have it. **Additionally, as of September 2021, all hires are required to provide proof of vaccination.**

**Dates of Employment:** Position begins on June 5, 2023 and ends on August 18, 2023. The position will spend June 5-7 helping the other camp managers to prepare for training week. June 8-9 and June 12-16 are training dates for camp staff. The Camp Aftercare Coordinator will be expected to assist with training week along with the camp managers of other age groups. Camp officially begins on June 19. Camp will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 for the Independence Day holiday.

**Compensation:** \$16.50/hr, paid biweekly, *housing is not provided.*

**To apply:** Please send a letter of interest and resume to Justine O'Gara, Manager of Camp Programs, at [justine@schuylkillcenter.org](mailto:justine@schuylkillcenter.org) or Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, 8480 Hagy's Mill Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

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