

EVANS LAKE FOREST EDUCATION SOCIETY

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VOLUNTEER WORK CREW

Do you want to make a difference for youth learning to explore forests while having fun volunteering? Joining the Volunteer Work Crew is an excellent way to build your skill set, gain experience working in a dynamic camp environment, and meet amazing friends. The Volunteer Work Crew members are integral to our team and provide critical support for camp programs. Volunteers split their time between assisting program, facilities, and food services staff. Volunteers help clear trails, assist with supervising recreation areas like the boat dock and climbing wall, join the program staff team to lead overnight hikes, and so much more – all in the same day! Given that volunteers, staff, and campers stay onsite at the Evans Lake Forest Education Centre while camp is in session, the action never stops and, accordingly, applicants should enjoy working in ever-changing work environments. High energy, patience, a can-do attitude, and a passion for forests & working with youth are a must!

General

- Participate in the volunteer training sessions held on June 20-24, 2020
- Assist program in areas like camper supervision, small games planning, overnight hike staffing, activity prep and clean up, office duties, photo/video and basic editing, and equipment maintenance and inventory
- · Assist facilities in areas like grounds maintenance, janitorial duties, and project support
- · Assist food services with end-of-day lock up, dish washing, supervised food prep, and stocking food orders

Term

- Must be available for at least three of the summer's eight camp sessions as well as the mandatory training dates
- Volunteers submit their availability on their application and, if accepted, will be scheduled no later than June 1st

Safety

- Comply with Evans Lake's policies & procedures
- Take ownership for the safety of campers, fellow volunteers, and staff members

Reporting and Evaluation

- · Volunteers report to the Volunteer Coordinator, who offers ongoing support and mentoring
- Volunteers also receive mentoring & coaching from senior staff

Required Certifications & Experience

- First Aid Certificate (at minimum an 8-hour basic certificate that includes CPR)
- There are limited spaces available on the team, so priority will be given to applicants who
 - o possess additional certifications and licenses (e.g. an advanced first aid certificate, Class 4 or 5 driver's license, certifications for paddling, rock-climbing, and lifeguarding), and
 - o are 17+ years old (16 is the minimum age for the Volunteer Work Crew, but priority is given to 17+year-olds as 16-year-olds can still experience Evans Lake through our regular summer camp programs)

Additional Information:

- ELFES is an equal opportunity employer. We are proud to uphold human rights, we value the inclusion of all members of our community, and we strive to create a safe and fun environment for everyone to explore forests
- We acknowledge that Evans Lake is located at Ch'iyakmesh on the unceded territory of Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish First Nation)
- <u>To apply:</u> Fill out our online application form at http://bit.ly/2EwKBRB

^{*} We acknowledge that, for some Volunteer Work Crew applicants, this may be your first significant volunteer work experience. Not only can this role be a rewarding one, but the opportunity to practice researching about volunteer roles and communicating with Evans Lake (as the program host) is excellent for building your general employment skills. In order to support that process for you (the applicants), and for confidentiality reasons, we can only discuss an application with the applicant (i.e. we cannot discuss an application with family members, representatives, or agents). If you have any questions about the role or any aspect of your application, please don't hesitate to contact us at volunteercoordinator@evanslake.com