

Nearby Nature Summer 2021

Outdoor Leader

Volunteer Job Description



Welcome to Nearby Nature's teen Outdoor Leader Program! Nearby Nature's Outdoor Leaders help paid staff instruct Summer Daycamps for children ages 3-4, 4-5, 6-8, or 8-11. Daycamp activities include games, nature study, crafts, outdoor adventures, storytelling, gardening, and scientific discovery. Outdoor Leaders must complete **six hours of leadership training on June 12th from 10 am-4pm.**

Qualifications: Outdoor Leaders should be **between 13 and 18 years old**, and should be at least two years older than the top of the age range of their particular camps.

- Must enjoy being outdoors and be **interested in nature, care about the environment**, be enthusiastic and responsible, and have keen observation skills. **No specific knowledge or background in nature studies is required.**
- Must enjoy working and playing with younger children. **No specific experience with younger children is required.**
- Most importantly, applicants must want to be Outdoor Leaders! Once you commit to being an Outdoor Leader, Nearby Nature and the kids we serve will be depending on you.

Please do not volunteer because your parents want you to, or because a friend is helping us; volunteer because YOU to want to be part of our team!

Benefits: Outdoor Leaders are volunteers. Participation in the Outdoor Leader program will help you learn important skills and gain valuable work experience. Many young adults who have volunteered for Nearby Nature have found that their **experience helped them find paid employment and provided them with a competitive edge when applying to college.** Many of our leaders have gained community service credit hours that can be applied toward high school graduation requirements.

Dates and Times: Nearby Nature Summer Daycamps run in weekly sessions from June 21-September 3. Each camp session is one week long and has its own unique theme. Some camps run for three hours per day, 9 am-noon or 1-4 pm. We also have camps sessions that run all day from 9 am-4 pm. (See nearbynature.org/daycamps for details.) Preference will go to applicants who can volunteer for at least four weeks.

Application Process: The application process is ongoing throughout the spring, but please apply as soon as possible. We will accept applications until all positions are filled. Applications are available at nearbynature.org/volunteer/summer-daycamp-assistants. Email completed applications to programs@nearbynature.org or mail to Nearby Nature, P.O. Box 3678, Eugene, OR 97403. Once we receive your application, we will contact you to set up an interview.

Questions/Contact: Grace Chollar-Webb, Summer Daycamps Coordinator: 541-687-9699, or programs@nearbynature.org.

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