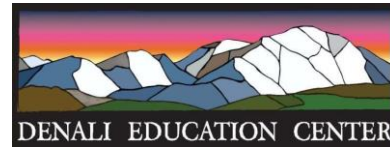


Discovery Camp Instructor-In-Training

Position Description

Reports to: Youth Programs Manager

Job Duration: 1-4 weeks; dates will be mutually agreed upon



Overview:

Denali Education Center offers youth programming out of our Denali and Talkeetna campuses, where our week-long “Discovery Camps” are located. The goals of these programs are for youth entering grades 1-8 to explore Denali National Park in a fun and safe manner. We are looking for enthusiastic high school students, or college aged students with an interest in outdoor education, to serve as Instructors-In-Training.

Denali Discovery Camp: June 9th- 13th and June 16th- 20th

Talkeetna Discovery Camp: July 7th- 11th, July 14th- 18th, July 21st- 25th, and July 28th – August 1st

This position is a great opportunity to stay involved with DEC youth “Discovery Camps” after being a camper and puts you on track to become a full instructor after high school. You will gain meaningful leadership experience while putting the skills you have developed into practice. This is a great chance to become a role model for younger campers!

Position Responsibilities:

Instructors-In-Training will assist Instructors with leading educational hikes and engaging hands-on learning activities. Additional responsibilities at Denali Discovery Camp include working with Denali National Park Rangers and potentially leading an overnight camping trip in Denali National Park. Regular duties include:

- Work collaboratively with two lead camp instructors to co-teach and co-supervise up to 12 youth in an outdoor setting for at least seven hours per day, five days in a row.
- Help campers to explore and connect with the natural world around them by assisting with facilitating hands-on environmental learning activities that are educational, fun, age-appropriate, safe, and promote and adhere to Leave No Trace principles.
- Follow and enforce risk-management protocols as outlined by NPS, DEC, and State and Federal agencies.

Qualifications:

- Must be 16 or older for full time role. There may be part-time options for 14- and 15-year-olds.
- Enthusiasm for exploring the outdoors and working with children.
- A positive attitude and desire to learn from and work collaboratively with lead instructors.
- Current CPR/First Aid certification (Wilderness First Responder or Wilderness First Aid preferred) or ability to obtain is required.

Preferred Knowledge and Skills:

- Familiarity with Denali National Park, Talkeetna and the surrounding areas
- Previous experience with Denali or Talkeetna Discovery Camps as a camper
- Experience caring for and/or teaching children

Compensation: Starting wage for Instructors-in-Training is \$12.50/hour, wage is dependent on experience

Disclaimer: This position description reflects the Denali Education Center’s best effort to describe the essential functions and qualifications of this job. It is not an exhaustive statement of duties, responsibilities, and qualifications, nor a contract.

To Apply: Email a letter of interest and resume to Caitlin Mott at youth@denali.org. Please specify in your application which camp location and camp dates you are available for.