

Outdoor Education Facilitator

OE Facilitators work with a small team of staff to deliver high quality, fun, safe, and inclusive adventure based outdoor education programs to a wide variety of user groups. The majority of groups are school classes, band classes, guides and scouts, retreats and reunions. You will also act as a group host, serve meals, as well as assist with maintenance and cleaning as required. Facilitators report to the Program Coordinator who reports to the Program Manager.

Spring OE -April and May

Fall OE -September and October

*Now hiring for our Spring 2020 OE Season!

Duties & Responsibilities

- Facilitate outdoor programs -hikes, orienteering, archery, team building, etc.
- Facilitate challenge course programs -high ropes, climbing wall, giant swing and zip line
- Complete safety checks, maintain and repair all equipment used in programs
- Apply risk management techniques and appropriate safety protocols
 - Follow all policies and standards operating procedures in program areas and ensure all staff and participants also follow them
- Ensure all buildings and program areas are ready and clean before group arrivals
- Act as the "host" for groups
 - Be the communication channel between facilitators and group leaders
 - Remain on site, available over the radio as an emergency contact, including being on call overnight
- Ensure equal opportunities are available for participation through utilization of adventure- based learning techniques, such as Challenge by Choice
- Promote a positive attitude towards stewardship of our natural environment.
- Foster a cooperative working atmosphere amongst staff
- Perform other duties as required

Time Requirements

- Attend Outdoor Education training week at the beginning of each season
- Attend weekly briefing and debriefing meetings
- Work approximately 40 hours a week *Note: As this is a camp setting, it will be necessary at times to work more than the 40 hours a week and some weekends
- It will be the intention to provide four days off (not necessarily consecutively) in a 2-week rotation

Benefits

- Pay is \$240/week
- Accommodations are provided on site for the duration of the contract
- Meals are provided when our food services team is preparing meals for groups on site
- Pro deals for outdoor gear companies -up to 50% off MSRP

Skills & Qualifications

Mandatory:

- Standard First Aid and Class 'C' CPR
- Ability to take initiative and maintain a strong work ethic
- Excellent communication and teamwork skills

Assets:

- Experience working at an outdoor education centre or summer camp
- Experience working with special needs populations
- Wilderness Advanced First Aid or Wilderness First Responder
- OCC Field Leader – Hiking or equivalent
- ACCT accredited ropes facilitator training (e.g. Adventureworks levels I or II)

About Easter Seals Alberta

Inspiring Potential. Building Community. Enriching Lives.

We pride ourselves in putting philanthropic dollars to good work. We provide ongoing services to Albertans living with disabilities and medical conditions. We strive to ensure that the resources they need for an independent and full life are available. We make this possible with our three main supports:

- **Easter Seals Alberta's Camp Horizon** provides subsidized five-day summer camps and respite weekends for individuals with disabilities and medical conditions.
- **Accessibility Supports** provides critically needed equipment and support to those who qualify both physically and financially. This includes Equipment and Support Services (ESS), our home automation program, the disability travel card, the Give a Kid a Lift program, and the Phyllis Davidson Easter Seals Scholarship.
- **Easter Seals McQueen Home**, a self-governed, 24-hour personal care residence in Edmonton for people with disabilities looking to achieve more independence, greater inclusion into the community and access to employment, education and recreation.



Application Deadline: February 28th, 2020
Spring OE Start Date: March 30th, 2020

If you are interested, please send your resume and cover letter to;

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