

**Position:** TNT Volunteer Camp Counselor

**Start Date:** Tuesday, May 28, 2019 **End Date:** Friday, August 2, 2019

**Organization Description:**

Founded in 1913, Fontenelle Forest is one of Nebraska's oldest conservation organizations and one of the largest private nature centers in the nation. Fontenelle Forest aspires to be a national leader in environmental stewardship and education and the region's premier nature center. Fontenelle Forest educational opportunities include early childhood programs that serve children and their parents; extensive school district partnerships and out-of-school STEM and nature-based activities; scouting programs; nature camps; programs for adults and senior citizens, as well as informal education programs, activities, and exhibits.

**Job Description:**

Fontenelle Forest is seeking TNT volunteers to join our team for summer camp. Fontenelle Forest embraces the values of Integrity, Stewardship, Excellence, Engagement, and Sustainability. As a member of the Fontenelle Forest team every employee helps us achieve our vision to be a national leader in environmental stewardship and education and the region's premier nature center.

TNT Volunteers are enthusiastic and dedicated individuals who support Fontenelle Forest's mission to support discovery of the quiet wild of nature and inspire current and future generations to care for the natural world. TNT Volunteers will assist counselors in nature-based summer day camps for children ages 6-12 years old. Programs take place onsite at Fontenelle Forest's properties including, but not limited to, Nature Center, Camp Brewster, and Camp Wa-kon-da. TNT Volunteers help excite and engage campers in exploring the natural world through guided inquiry based experiential learning.

This position reports to the Adult Program Manager and Camp Coordinator. Volunteers may sign up to assist in camp in one week increments. Fontenelle Forest camps run June 3-28 and July 8-August 2, 2019, 8:30-3:30 PM.

**Primary Duties:**

- Assist camp counselors with summer day camp activities for children ages 6-12
- Lead games and additional activities as appropriate for camp
- Work with children ages 6 to 12
- Maintain a safe learning environment for campers and staff
- Set up prior to and clean up following the camp day
- Communicate with camp staff to ensure a positive camp experience for all
- Perform other duties as assigned

**Qualifications:**

- Interest and understanding of natural sciences, history, storytelling, social studies

- Curiosity and joy of discovery and education
- Flexibility with changes and ability to problem solve quickly
- Ability to work well as a member of a team with a diverse group of people
- Ability to positively engage with other staff and visitors from diverse backgrounds
- Access and ability to communicate efficiently and effectively in-person and via e-mail
- Ability to attend training in late May or early June
- Must be 13 years of age or older

**Physical Demands:**

- Work in conditions that will create dirt and dust and in all weather conditions
- Ability to perform a variety of tasks outdoor in different climate

**To Apply:** Please apply online by completing and submitting an application found at [www.fontnelleforest.org/careers](http://www.fontnelleforest.org/careers). Applications due by May 17, 2019.

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