



## **SEASONAL ZOO CAMP COUNSELLOR**

**START DATE/DURATION:** June 7 to September 2, 2022

**PAY RATE:** \$15.00

We are recruiting Camp Counsellors for leading Zoo Camp, which is an educational day camp held in weekly sessions for children ages 4-16. Through a variety of exciting topics for different age groups we aim to provide lots of fun through activities and nature-related engagement, maintaining educational value in a positive and friendly environment. This position will assist and provide support in implementing the approved Strategic Plan.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Under the guidance of the Learning & Engagement Coordinator for Zoo Camp, plan and deliver Zoo Camp programming, based on weekly themes
- Provide a memorable and fun camp experience that includes, tours of the Zoo, behind-the-scenes visits, singing, activities, crafts, nature exploration, etc.
- Ensure camper safety and wellbeing, adhering to Toronto Zoo policies and procedures
- In collaboration with Group Leaders / Supervisors, communicate with parents to ensure an overall positive camp experience for each child in your care
- Complete reports / paperwork / administrative duties, ensuring essential information is communicated with Group Leaders / Supervisors as required
- Share conservation messaging in an engaging way, using interpretive methods
- Inspire sustainability awareness and actions
- Follow appropriate health & safety protocols, including recognizing and reporting any hazards / concerns
- Regular cleaning of the work area to ensure it exceeds customer expectations and to ensure health & safety guidelines are adhered to, including picking up garbage, wiping high touch surfaces, and cleaning washrooms
- Ensure all camp participants and Zoo guests are adhering to and following current COVID-19 guidelines
- Other duties as assigned by the supervisor or designate

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Be enrolled in, or are a recent graduate of, post-secondary education, preferably in the education and/or biology field
- Experience working with children in a camp atmosphere
- Experience leading educational programs is preferred
- Must be able to work well in a team
- Demonstrate knowledge of animal, plant, and conservation issues
- Experience and knowledge of interpretive teaching methods is an asset
- Standard First Aid & CPR "C" certification required
- Demonstrate an awareness of and commitment to sustainable practices
- Familiarity with the Zoo and its exhibits is preferred

- Ability to communicate effectively, in English, both written and verbal
- Completion of a satisfactory Vulnerable Sector Search. Must be an original copy, bearing and official stamp/seal, dated within 60 days of being presented to the Zoo

**(Note: selection and placement of the successful candidates with various age-levels/responsibilities will be at the discretion of the Learning & Engagement Supervisor)**

**The successful candidate may be required to provide a Vulnerable Sector Police Reference check at their own expense upon commencement of employment.**

If interested in this position, please click on the link below and complete the instructions on the questionnaire. You will be required to submit your resume and cover letter.

To apply click here: <https://forms.office.com/r/ggQSdfB9K2>

**While we appreciate the interest of all applicants, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.**

*The Toronto Zoo provides accommodation for employees with disabilities, as defined under the Ontario Human Rights Code. If contacted for an interview, and you require specific accommodation for the interview process because of a disability or a medical need, then please advise the person contacting you of your requirements, so that arrangements can be made for the appropriate accommodations to be in place before you begin the interview process.*

*The Toronto Zoo respects the principles of equity, diversity and inclusion and seeks to model these principles in all that we do. We are committed to fostering an inclusive workforce where all employees feel respected, supported and valued. We strive to create an environment that represents the rich diversity of our guests and our community and encourage applications from all qualified individuals who can contribute to enhancing our commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion. Applications are especially encouraged from racialized persons/persons of colour, Indigenous/Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+ persons, and women.*

**Please be advised the Toronto Zoo requires mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations for employees.**