MANICE EDUCATION CENTER

Outdoor Educator Assistant

Organization Description:  www.christodora.org

Program/Position Description:
Educational staff at the Manice Education Center (MEC) work closely together in a supportive atmosphere teaching small, coed groups (10-12 students) of New York City public school students in a variety of outdoor classroom settings. Together, all educators on staff facilitate debates, science labs, cooperative games, group initiatives, and campfires for groups of approximately forty students. Summer courses include overnight wilderness canoe/backpack expeditions of one to five days in length.

Position Availability: Summer: 6-8 to 8-24-13

Responsibilities:
• Assist Outdoor Educators in delivering experientially focused program lessons, activities, and off-site trips.
• As necessary, independently supervise youth, lead trips, and deliver lessons.
• Overnight supervision of students (max. 7) in cabin style tents
• Help to manage greenhouse and gardens.
• Enable program success by providing assistance as needed and directed, leading by example, and developing positive relationships with our youth.

Qualifications:
• Adventurous spirit, willingness to learn, passion for the outdoors, and enjoys connecting with urban youth.
• Some academic studies in the sciences and experience in outdoor leadership and adventure programming is preferred.
• Wilderness First Aid and CPR certifications or ability & commitment to successfully obtain during employer sponsored trainings.
• Waterfront Lifeguard Certification, or ability to obtain in employer sponsored training, is preferred.
• Spanish/English Bilingual a plus.
• Must be 19 years of age to apply. Background clearances and medical physical required. Initial drug screening may be required.

Compensation:
• Competitive salary. Lodging (cabin tents), basic amenities, excellent food service, and outdoor equipment discounts.
• Gain professional development in outdoor education through intensive trainings, a supportive environment, and valued, experiential contributions to the program.
• Enjoy living in a unique outdoor setting, and be a part of a one hundred-year tradition of developing a constructive, supportive community through hard work, play, and dedication to our mission.

TO APPLY:
Send cover letter, resume, and 3 reference contacts (feel free to add wilderness, leadership, and education portfolios) to Matthew Scholl, M.E.C. Director @ employment@christodora.org or mail to Manice Education Center, 68 Savoy Road, Florida, MA 01247, Tel.: 413-663-8463 Fax: 413.663.5399.