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Position Description

Working Title:	Camp Kitchen Assistant
Classification:	Association Temp Program (Non-Exempt)
Start Date:	7/1/2024
End Date:	8/5/2024
Duration (months):	Less than 2 months
Hours per week:	40
Days per week / schedule:	Sunday-Friday
Work Location:	Arnot Forest Van Etten, NY
Supervisor Name & Title:	Rachel Bortin, Camp Director
Compensation:	\$2,500
Benefits Eligibility:	Not Benefits Eligible
Employment Type:	Temporary

Position Summary

The mission of Primitive Pursuits is to steward the health of our community by fostering life-long relationships with the natural world through exceptional mentoring and nature education. We have been providing nature connection programming to people of all ages for over twenty years and are excited to bring back our overnight summer camp at Arnot Forest.

The key role of the Camp Kitchen Assistant is to assist the Kitchen Manager to make nutritious meals for all campers and staff attending the overnight camp at Arnot Forest. Due to the nature of our camp, this position requires creativity in using the outdoors as the kitchen alongside our commercial kitchen. The Camp Kitchen Assistant will assist in coordinating meals taking place indoors and outdoors at various camp locations throughout the Arnot property. They will be required to prepare meals for various diets, order food, craft menus, and organize kitchen supplies and cleanliness.

There will be housing onsite provided in one of our rustic cabins, which includes access to a kitchen and bathrooms. This position has the potential to receive staff discounts for our youth summer day and overnight camps. All meals while camp is in session are provided at no cost!

Required Qualifications

- 18 years of age or older
- Must pass all required screenings for working at a NYS Summer Camp
- Commit to working camp July 1-August 2.
- Must be able to live and stay onsite while camp is in session
- Driver's license and/or transportation to camp locations on time
- Be able to lift 25 pounds without accommodation
- Be able to work on their feet for long periods of time (4+ hours)
- Ability to work flexible hours which may include evenings and/or weekends, as appropriate.

Preferred Qualifications

Experience working in a kitchen in some capacity

Responsibilities

- Assist in the management of all aspects of food service for our Arnot Camp kitchen
- Assist in the upkeep, organization and cleanliness of the Arnot Camp kitchen
- Prepare three meals a day, plus snacks alongside the Kitchen Manager for up to 50-person during the camp week; Sunday-Friday
- Craft and prepare nutritious meals and snacks for people with special diets including but not limited to; vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, nut-free
- Represent the high caliber of the organization when speaking to parents, staff and participants
- Role model a kitchen culture that is respectful, clean and in compliance with Department of Health Code and Summer Camp Safety Plan
- Work collaboratively with the Camp Director and Camp Kitchen Manager for special needs/requests
- Aim to uphold the 4 Values of camp: Belonging, Gratitude, Awareness, Getting Outside, in all interactions with campers, staff, families and parents and within programs, and activities
- Participate in camp activities and events when needed
- Communicate with staff daily to adjust meals based on location
- Responsible for adequate supervision of campers and ensuring an emotional, social, and physically safe environment in which campers and staff can thrive
- Other Duties as assigned

How to Apply

Please complete our online application including a cover letter and resume.

Applications will be accepted until April 1, 2024 or until all positions are filled.

Contact

Rachel Bortin, Camp Director, primitivepursuits-opportunities@cornell.edu

Additional Info

Please be sure to read the Notice to Applicants found on the Jobs with CCE page: https://cals.cornell.edu/cornell-cooperative-extension/join-us/jobs

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