

**Position:** Summer Camp Instructor

Status: Seasonal

**Description:** Brevard Zoo's enthusiastic team provides a fun, unique and inspirational experience that fosters appreciation, knowledge and care for the natural world. The Education Department is looking for a dynamic, outgoing individual to fill a high-energy position conducting summer camp programs. Under the supervision of the Education Program Supervisor and in accordance with the mission and vision of Brevard Zoo, the Summer Camp Instructor will deliver high quality programs and experiences for our guests.

The Summer Camp Program services children entering grades K through 12 and this position would work with elementary grades. Must be equipped with a knowledge of early childhood development, elementary education or related field. An ideal candidate would also bring enthusiasm to their work environment, have experience working with animals, enjoy being outdoors, detail-oriented and have great customer service skills.

## **Responsibilities:**

- Conduct Brevard Zoo's science-based summer camps through educational lessons, Zoo tours, arts and crafts, games, experiments and animal encounters
- Be part of a camp instructor team creating a safe and fun experience for campers
- Contribute to future camp development by providing feedback to zoo staff
- Supervise and mentor Teen Volunteer helpers
- Perform other duties as required
- Maintain and organize program supplies
- Contributes to maintaining high morale among all Brevard Zoo employees.
- Demonstrates superior customer service, both internal (i.e. co-workers) and external (vendors, visitors, students, parents, etc).
- Develops and maintains cooperative and courteous relationships with department employees, staffers and managers in other departments, representatives from organizations, customers, and the general public to maintain good will toward Brevard Zoo's good image
- Tactfully and effectively handles requests, suggestions and complaints from other departments and persons in order to maintain good will within Brevard Zoo
- Emphasizes the importance of maintaining a positive image within Brevard Zoo.
- Interfaces effectively with higher management, professionals, customers, and the general public.
- Complies with USDA, OSHA, Environmental Health and Brevard Zoo Safety Policies.
- Enforces park rules and regulations and initiates a quick response if required.

## **Qualifications:**

- Enjoy working with children
- Excellent public speaking skills; ability to work with audiences of all ages (public visitors, schools, groups, volunteers, interns and staff)
- Be able to stand for long period of time

- Enthusiasm for the outdoors and natural world; able to work in outdoors in a variety of weather conditions.
- Enthusiastic team attitude, versatile and a strong work ethic
- Must be able to lift, carry, and hold 50 lbs

## Required experience:

- Bachelor's degree in education, science, zoology environmental studies, or related field preferred or working toward degree
- Teaching experience in formal or informal settings preferred

**Job type:** Seasonal Full-time position. Approximate work schedule will be 32-40hrs per week. Must be able to within the hours 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## **Apply Now:**

To apply, please send application and resume to hr@brevardzoo.org or mail to:

Human Resources Brevard Zoo 8225 N. Wickham Rd. Melbourne, FL 32940

Note, due to the number of applications/resumes, only those best qualified will be contacted for an interview. Please do not call regarding this position or receipt of your resume.