Summer Employment
Space Adventure Camp Counselors
Wallops Island, Virginia
Employment Dates: June 14 - July 31, 2020

Would you like to spend the summer inspiring and empowering the next generation of scientists, engineers, and space enthusiasts through a week-long summer, residential space adventure camp?

If you have a passion for space science, aerospace, engineering, and education, becoming a camp counselor at the Virginia Space Flight Academy is the perfect summer job for you.

As a camp counselor, you have the opportunity to develop and enhance leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills surrounded by individuals and mentors who share your passion. The camp experience will build your resume and provide you with opportunities to meet experts and learn about STEM careers at a working NASA, Navy, and NOAA facility.

Responsibilities
• Supervising, leading, and supporting the educational activities and field experiences for camp students ages 11 - 16 in a team setting
• Providing instruction to camp participants in subjects including model rocketry, robotics, coding, drones, and other STEM topics
• Providing camp students with a safe, secure, and quality experience throughout their week-long program while creating a positive, fun-filled environment
• Responsible for campers throughout day and evening activities, as well as overnight supervision
• Work scheduled hours throughout day and evening with appropriate rest periods built into the schedule
• Ensuring the health and safety of the campers as a priority

Qualifications
• Must be 18 or older
• Experience working with children in camp programs, youth education, or working with youth in a related, structured environment (teaching, coaching, mentoring)
• Experience teaching rocketry, robotics, electronics, computer science, or other STEM subjects
• Ability to work as a member of a team and complete tasks with minimal supervision
• Be a positive role model by a display of positive attitude, interest, and motivation to work with the campers, other team members, and other camp partners
• Possess sufficient interpersonal skills
• Display maturity of judgment and behavior
• Current CPR/First Aid training (training provided upon hire, if needed)
• Ability to work long days
• Ability to work in an outdoor environment in hot summer temperatures

Requirements
• Must be able to pass a NASA security background check
• Must pass drug and alcohol screen
• Must work the entire six-week period of the camp season plus an additional week of counselor training before the camp start-up; seven weeks total from June 14 - July 31, 2020
• Work full time; other work-related activities are discouraged as maximum flexibility is required
• Must possess a valid driver’s license
• Maintain appropriate interpersonal and personal boundaries
• Adheres to VSFA safety protocols and requirements
• Upholds a highly professional manner throughout the duration of the camp season

Compensation & Benefits: $325 per week, full room and board (lodging and food provided), and training

To Apply: Email a cover letter, resume and 3 references to: ed@vaspaceflightacademy.org