

**White Clay Creek State Park is accepting applications for the following position:
Discovery Camp Director**

Salary: \$10.75 per hour

SUMMARY: Creative, motivated person who enjoys working with pre-school aged children needed to work approximately 35 hours per week (June – mid-August) at White Clay Creek State Park. Applicants must be able to attend paid training in June in a youth camp setting including overnight stays (Monday, June 8 – Wednesday, June 10). Must be able to fully participate in all camp activities such as canoeing/kayaking, tubing and mountain biking. The State of Delaware is AA/EOE.

The responsibilities for this position include the following:

Plan lessons, coordinate activities and work weekly, themed summer discovery camps at White Clay Creek State Park. These camps are for children 4 – 8 years old. Camps also include Adult Day Camp Interns and Counselors-In-Training (14 – 17 years) whom this person will be supervising and mentoring. Help create and maintain a fun, positive and safe camp environment for campers, staff, interns and CITs throughout the summer. Maintain equipment and supplies pertaining to the summer camp. Communicate with supervisor, camp parents and park staff providing a detailed weekly agenda including travel. Camps begin in early June and run through mid-August. Five camps are full-day and run Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. The other four camps are half-days and run Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. On these half-day weeks, we might have summer field trip programs this person could work to attain more hours. Must be able to work all camps, attend all trainings and participate in all camp activities. In addition, camp directors have specific duties relating to managing the park's entire camp team, such as supply sharing, camper paperwork or cleaning. In order to promote a team atmosphere, these duties are shared between two camp directors and will be assigned before the start of summer.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Minimum 2 summers experience in a camp or related program (working with kids)
2. Minimum 1 year (or summer) experience in a leadership role in summer camp
3. Minimum 1 year coursework in environmental education or related field, or the equivalent job experience
4. Minimum 1 year experience supervising groups, staff or volunteers
5. Must enjoy and have experience working with pre-school aged children
6. Must possess good communication skills and reliability
7. Must have a valid Driver's License and the ability to drive large vehicles (14 passenger bus)
8. Must be at least 20 years of age
9. Must be able to participate in multiple physical activities in one day

Preference Given to Candidates with the following experience:

As a camp director or assistant director or experience in a leadership role in an afterschool/weekend program for children; multiple years as a camp counselor or teacher. Certified lifeguards. Experience developing activities for pre-school aged children.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Plans activities for summer camps at White Clay Creek State Park
- Leads daily activities for summer camps at White Clay Creek State Park
- Leads outdoor games, indoor crafts and nature exploration
- Develops new games and activities for camps
- Ensures a fun, educational and safe environment for the children
- Supervises and mentors summer camp team (staff, interns, volunteers, CITs)

BENEFITS: Seasonal position. Non-standard benefits include Non-standard benefits include a great working environment and outdoor activities where creativity encouraged and leadership is developed. Delaware State Parks Seasonal Interpretive Training, First Aid and CPR training. Direct Deposit of paychecks will be required as a condition of employment for new employees.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: Please send cover letter, resume, 3 work references and a completed state seasonal application to: Barbara Woodford, Nature Center Manager
White Clay Creek State Park, 425 Wedgewood Road, Newark, DE 19711
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Note: Seasonal Applications can be picked up at the Park Office and are available on-line at: dnrec.delaware.gov/parks/Home/Documents/Application_Seasonal.pdf