



Teva Learning Center

307 Seventh Avenue, Suite 900, New York, NY 10001

Lead Nature Center Educator

Dates: June 1, 2011 to August 31, 2011, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday to Friday, plus occasional evening work.

Salary: starting at \$3,000 (dependant upon experience) plus housing and extensive training

Location: Rose Nature & Ecology Center at Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds, 75 Colonial Springs Road, Wheatley Heights, NY (accessible by LIRR, 1 hour from Penn Station)

User Group: 1,800 campers, 6-12 years old, from 6 Jewish Community Center day camps

Job Description:

- Work within and expand a well developed curriculum to teach nature activities
- Mentor 2 nature center High School interns
- Lead five 40-minute program slots daily
- Maintain and expand nature center displays and general appearance
- Creatively gather materials for programs from thrift stores and recycling centers Delegate tasks to Nature Center Interns by creating a daily and weekly duties list
- Curriculum writing and program development

Required Skills & Experience:

- Ability to think creatively and with a solutions-oriented approach
- Ability to make independent decisions and respond to immediate needs of students, emergency situations, and program needs
- Ability to work outside in a variety of weather conditions and temperatures
- Demonstrated genuine interest in children and enthusiasm for learning and teaching about nature in an outdoor setting
- General familiarity with the local natural environment
- Experience working with children, preferably in an outdoor setting*
- Background in science; musical ability
- Current CPR & First Aid Certification

***If you are not a trained Teva educator, then you must participate in the Teva Seminar May 31 – June 3 at Surprise Lake Camp, Cold Spring, NY or present a history of teaching environmental education.**

To apply, please send a resume and cover letter to emily@tevacenter.org. If you have any questions, contact Emily Kaplan, at 212-807-6376, ext. 112.

The Teva Learning Center's mission is to renew the ecological wisdom inherent in Judaism and to renew the Jewish community through connection with God's Creation. The Teva Learning Center is the leading Jewish environmental education program in the country. It is the only full-time year-round program dedicated to innovative, experiential Jewish education taught through the lens of the natural world.

The Teva Learning Center defines Jewish environmental education as exciting, experiential Jewish education that is enlivened by contact with the natural world and informed by three thousand years of dialogue about the relationships between God, creation, and humanity.

At the Rose Nature and Ecology Center, Teva educators will lead campers in experiencing the wonders of the natural world through hands-on investigation and radical amazement!