

Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center

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Experiential Environmental Education

Blue Ridge Outdoor Education Center, part of Mikell Camp and Conference Center, in Toccoa, GA is seeking committed, energetic, and community-oriented individuals to join our Spring 2024 outdoor education team. We provide day and overnight education and adventure programs to visitors. Our 468 acre campus, set in the Yearwood Valley near the Chattahoochee National Forest, surrounded by forested ridge lines with streams and waterfalls. Blue Ridge OEC is perfectly situated to take full advantage of this unique ecological area and provide diverse and exciting education and outdoor experiences to learners of all ages.

Spring 2024 Season: February 2024 - May 2024 *Dates are tentative based on our seasonal schedules*

Duties

- Teach <u>outdoor environmental education classes</u> during residential programs for students ages 7-16; Blue Ridge prides itself on meeting the needs of our schools by meeting the Georgia Performance Standards
- Maintain teaching materials and spaces
- Provide care for ambassador animals housed in the nature center
- Facilitate outdoor adventure programs such as high ropes and climbing walls with child and adult groups
- Work up to and potentially exceeding 60 hours/week including some weekend work
- Opportunities available for curriculum development for experienced employees

Qualifications

- BS or BA required. Preference given to those with majors in biology, natural sciences, or related field. Knowledge of wetland, stream and forest ecology.
- Residential program experience and knowledge of Georgia ecosystems preferred.
- Applicant should be dynamic and have a sincere interest in working with kids of all ages and learning about the natural world.

Benefits

- \$400-\$425/week DOE plus room & partial board
- Catastrophic health insurance available
- Paid two week training in education and adventure programming
- Paid First Aid, CPR, and high ropes training provided
- Paid training in Project Wet, Project Wild, or Project Learning Tree
- Extensions on seasonal employment are potentially available to interested employees

TO APPLY: Please send a cover letter, resume, and 3 references with contact information to Becca Frowine at blueridgedir@campmikell.com