Camp Fire Minnesota
Position Description

Job Title: Outdoor Living Skills/Nature Specialist  
Purpose: Develop and lead nature, outdoor education, and outdoor living skills activities to campers  
Reports to: Programs Coordinator  
Classification: Exempt, seasonal  
Dates: May 27 – September 4, 2020

About Camp Fire Minnesota
With nature as our catalyst, we energize youth to discover their spark so their futures glow brighter.  
Youth spend 90% of their time indoors. Camp Fire Minnesota addresses this challenge by delivering culturally relevant, nature-based programs at Tanadoona, Camp Bluewater, and throughout the community to over 6,500 youth from all backgrounds each year. We help youth “light their spark within” through summer camp, environmental education & STEM classes for schools, and community-based out-of-school time nature programs.  
We are proud to offer inclusive and welcoming programs to youth in the community. To this end, 40% of Camp Fire youth participate at reduced or no cost. As a result of their Camp Fire experience, 92% of youth report valuing nature and stewarding the environment. 
Our summer camps at Tanadoona in Chanhassen and Camp Bluewater in Grand Rapids offer youth and teens progressive, nature-based learning through day, specialty day, overnight, adventure and leadership development camps. Tanadoona is an ACA accredited camp.

About This Position
The Outdoor Living Skills (OLS) Specialist is responsible for developing and teaching nature, outdoor education, and outdoor living skills activities to campers. Specialist will monitor campers’ skill levels and implement methods of progression and rewarding achievements. This position manages supplies and equipment and works with staff to develop camp programs. OLS Specialist will provide supervision to campers during after-camp program.

Primary Responsibilities
- Plan and implement Outdoor Living Skills programming to engage all ability levels
- Facilitate with other staff members a weekly cookout and overnight experience for resident campers
- Assist in additional leadership responsibilities when assigned
- Assist in ensuring the cleanliness of the site, bathrooms, and other camp buildings
- Act as a general counselor when necessary
- Works with the rest of the specialist team to support all programs. Cross train as necessary.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:
- Ability to respond appropriately to first-aid and safety situations
- Ability to teach/review OLS with staff and campers including firebuilding, cooking, orienteering/geocaching, shelter building, etc.
• Ability to work with a variety of different groups, from many different backgrounds
• Maintain Camp Fire Minnesota standards at all times

Qualifications:
• Minimum age of 19
• Completion of high school or equivalent
• Previous experience working in a day or resident camp or youth development program
• Previous experience planning and leading outdoor activities
• Knowledge of Leave No Trace principles, Project WILD, and additional relevant resources (or the ability to obtain knowledge)
• CPR & First Aid Certifications issued by a nationally recognized provider of training
• Possess visual and auditory acuity, physical ability, strength and stamina to perform the required responsibilities and rigorous physical duties, and respond to environmental and other hazards related to activities

Desired Availability:
• Available to attend General Staff Training from May 27th. Last day of work is September 4.

Pay Range:
• $250 weekly stipend plus room and board.

Application Process:
Submit an application online at www.tanadoona.org/work-at-camp
• Please direct questions to chloec@campfiremn.org (include the position title in the subject line)
• Fax: 952-378-1661
• Mail: Camp Fire Minnesota, Attn: Camp Staff, 4829 Minnetonka Boulevard, Suite 202, St. Louis Park, MN 55416

Camp Fire Minnesota is strongly committed to addressing environmental justice. We encourage candidates with diverse experiences and backgrounds, Black, Indigenous and people of color, LGBTQIA+ individuals, and unemployed persons to apply.