

Camp Wild Heart
Summer Day Camp in Chico is hiring
Assistant Camp Director, Camp Instructors, Activity Leaders and Substitutes

Love working with kids and have some experience with STEAM *Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math** activities? Would you be excited to join us in a play based, open structured, child directed, fun environment?

Please check out our website to learn more about our program to make sure this camp would be a fit for you.
www.campwildheartchico.com

Camp Wild Heart is looking for caring, organized and energetic individuals to lead hands-on, engaging, STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) projects and activities during our high energy, water play filled, child focused summer day camp.

These are part-time positions (14 to 34 hours per week dependent on availability). Applicants must be available to work M,T,W, Th between 9:15am and 4:45pm all summer. Applicants may request 1 week off upon hire. This could become a school year or year round position dependent on availability and job performance.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Guide children through academic, enrichment and social learning
- Organize rooms and projects in a way that facilitate open structured learning
- Create, plan and instruct activities in the themes of your choice (focus is on STEAM *science, technology, engineering, art and math*)
- Create relationships with families and campers so you can greet them each morning and connect with them at the end of each day
- Build respectful connections with campers to provide a good basis for behavior regulation
- Be a good role model and guide for campers to look up to
- Assess needs of camp and campers and maintain adult:child ratios appropriately
- Monitor and ensure safety of all campers in the parking lot, playground and facility
- Being proactive in addressing the needs of the camp and it's participants
- Follow safety procedures and suggest changes when necessary
- Guide an environment and expectations that strike a balance of both risk-taking as well as physical and emotional safety
- Attendance and other report tracking and record submission as needed
- Attending all meetings, training and assigned work shifts on time and with pleasant and professional demeanor.
- Monitor daily attendance and know where your assigned campers are at all times
- Ensure maintenance and proper placement of site supplies and furniture
- Monitor supplies and materials and report when new items are needed

ABILITIES

- Ability to work respectfully with students and provide kind boundaries
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills

- Ability to communicate well with both students and parents
- Ability to simultaneously work with campers one on one or in small groups while also addressing safety needs of all campers in the space.
- Ability to remember names and details to form strong bonds with students and families
- Ability to work independently, address needs as they arise, take initiative in creating and implementing solutions
- Organizational skills for materials and student scheduling
- Bonus if you have experience with sports and/or technology: 3D printing, virtual reality, digital art.

QUALIFICATIONS: Experience working with elementary school aged children and their families, especially in an educational or recreational setting, is preferred. **Preferences will be given** to candidates with advanced education, ECE units, experience with alternative education, and/or **experience with science, technology, engineering, art or math activities**. **Above all, you must highly value facilitating play and learning with children through respect and connection.**

Must pass a fingerprint clearance and have a current CPR/First Aid certificate before your first day working with children.

SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS:

Your answers to be included with your cover letter and resume.

1) Which position are you interested in? Available positions include: Assistant Camp Director, Camp Instructors, Activity Leaders and Substitute.

2)What is your Day Camp/Residential Camp/After School/Homeschool/Alternative Education training, education, background and/or experience? May include books you've read, workshops attended, classroom and alternative education experience, homeschooling or tutoring, etc.

3) How would you describe your philosophy for working with children?

4) Is there a project, subject matter or skill you are prepared to teach or excited to learn how to teach? Our focus is on hands-on, engaging and fun science, technology, engineering, art and math and we also love to offer anything the kid's might be interested in like sports or sewing, etc.

Compensation: hourly rate dependent on experience, possibility for higher range with additional job roles and qualifications.

To Apply: Please complete the form to submit your application; reach out to ThriveChico@live.com with questions.

Contact: Cyndi Pereira, 530-809-4638

Employment Type: Part Time

Number of Openings: 3 to 6

Length of Work Year: Summer 2022- some positions begin part time in April-may extend to 22-23 school year

Application Deadline: Open until filled, preference given to applications received before April 22nd.

Employer: Camp Wild Heart run by Thrive

Group Interview Dates: Must be available either Friday, April 1st or Saturday April 2nd for interviews.

Assistant Camp Director:

Under the assistance of the Camp Director, the Assistant Camp Director will assist with the development and implementation of all day camp activities and staff at Camp Wild Heart. The Assistant Camp Director will provide a safe and nurturing environment for everyone; will be actively involved in day to day operations and have a positive attitude. This position requires flexibility and willingness to jump in wherever there is a need. As the Assistant Director you will assist the Camp Director with administrative camp duties, check campers in and out, jump into the ratio when needed, and collaborate with the Camp Director on weekly schedules.

Camp Instructors:

Camp Instructors are the support system at our camp. They assist Activity leaders with projects and activities, supervise campers during free choice time, and jump in wherever they are needed. This is a proactive role, requiring initiative to follow the kids' lead and support them when needed with minimal director input. Camp instructors assess where they are needed the most, and flow with the campers throughout the day. This role does not require activity planning, but encourages sharing passions, games, and projects with campers.

Activity Leaders

Activity leaders plan and lead fun, hands-on, STEAM based projects, activities and games at camp. They are responsible for planning, preparing and implementing fun projects that get the campers excited and eager to learn. Projects are offered in an invitation style offering, giving campers the freedom to choose the project they are most excited about. Activity times range in length from 45 minutes-90 minutes. Activity leaders should be equipped with excellent time-management skills, have "back-pocket" activities that they can pull out at any time with no prep or supplies, and should present projects in a fun, hands-on way.

Substitute

Camp Wild Heart hires substitutes every summer to help fill in the gaps when leaders are out sick, or request vacation time. Substitutes should be flexible, and understand that they are on-call and won't be on the schedule regularly. That means we won't always know we need you until the day of the shift, for instance when someone calls out sick. We don't expect you to be available 24/7, but this position is typically one that does not allow a lot of notice before we ask you to come in. This position has the potential to turn into a regularly scheduled position.