

Tauxemont Nature Camp  
7719 Fort Hunt Road  
Alexandria, Virginia 22308

Dear Prospective Counselors,

We are looking forward to another wonderful year of Nature Camp at Tauxemont. You are receiving this letter because you have been a counselor or have expressed interest in being a counselor. We hope you are having a good school year and are looking forward to summer.

Before you apply please review the following:

- Counselors must be entering the 7<sup>th</sup> grade or older and enjoy working with children ages 3 ½ through 8 years.
- Morning Camp Counselor volunteer hours are Monday 8:00 am to 12:30 pm and Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm (camper hours are 9:00 to 11:45 am).
- Afternoon Camp Counselor volunteer hours are Monday 12:00 pm to 4:15 pm and Tuesday thru Friday 12:30 pm to 4:15 pm (camper hours are 12:45 to 3:30 pm).
- There are five morning sessions and two afternoon sessions of camp. Please plan to attend your full week(s) assigned.
- You will work in teams of two or three supervising groups of about ten children as they move from activity to activity, and assisting with crafts, hiking, games, etc.
- Be willing to perform assignments to open and close camp each day. These assignments include setting up for the day and cleaning up at the end of the day. It is a lot of work and a lot of fun.
- Counselors over the age of 18 are required to have a Criminal Background Check.
- You must attend an early evening mandatory training meeting either **June 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 9:00 pm** or **June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 – 5:00 pm**.
- Start checking your e-mail the second week of May. Check spam and junk folders too. Contact Dawn at [dawn.matthews@outlook.com](mailto:dawn.matthews@outlook.com) if you have not received an e-mail by May 25<sup>th</sup>.

We try to balance younger youth counselors with older youth counselors, and we try to have a mix of boy and girl counselors. We carefully read your applications. Every year there are more young people interested in being counselors than spaces. If you meet the criteria above, please fill out an application and health form and return them to Tauxemont Preschool. Return your application by **Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>** to be considered for a session of Nature Camp.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,  
Barbara, Lisa, and Dawn