



Stony Kill Foundation

Stony Kill Foundation Assistant Camp Director Summer 2025

About Stony Kill Foundation

Stony Kill Foundation oversees the daily operations and community programming at the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) owned Stony Kill Farm Environmental Education Center in Dutchess County, NY. Our mission is to educate the public and cultivate environmental stewardship through interpretation of the rich historical, environmental and agricultural heritage of Stony Kill Farm. Over 19,000 people visit the 1000-acre farm each year, participating in our signature environmental education programs, growing fruits and veggies in the community garden, hiking the trails, and enjoying the outdoors. The beautiful Stony Kill Farm is a place where people from all walks of life can slow down, admire the scenery, and connect with the environment.

Position Description

We are hiring an Assistant Camp Director to join our energetic education team at the farm. The Assistant Camp Director contributes to the preparation and delivery of our Summer Explorers Camp program. This position will begin in May or June of 2024 and is well suited to someone who enjoys the outdoors and has a talent for teaching and inspiring curiosity in others!

Responsibilities Include:

- Assist the Camp Director in the overall management of camp by helping to direct the day-to-day operations of camp, supervising staff, coordinating camp schedules, and assisting with administrative work.
- Assume duties and responsibilities of the Camp Director during their absence.
- Assist the Camp Director in carrying out camp staff orientation and training.
- Attend a day-long weekend camp staff training with CITs.
- Explain and enforce the policies, traditions, and rules of camp.
- Manage interpersonal and operational conflicts amongst campers, counselors, and other members of the camp community.
- Assume responsibility for the safety and well-being of campers.
- Organize and prepare environmental and agricultural activities and lessons for the 8-week Summer Explorers Camp program.

- Assist in the evaluation and record keeping of staff and campers.
- Be an active member of the camp community by participating in camp programming including hikes, barn chores, etc.
- Be totally familiar with emergency procedures and follow them when necessary.
- Additional responsibilities as needed and assigned.

Desired Qualifications

- Background in teaching, environmental sciences, or related.
- Enthusiasm to learn, explore, and share the outdoors and agriculture with others.
- CPR/First Aid certification a plus.
- Experience with lesson plans and/or curriculum development is helpful, but not required.

Additional Details

- Pay rate: \$17/hour for up to 37.5 hours/week
- Must have own transportation.
- Housing not provided.

COVID-19 & Vaccination Considerations

Stony Kill Foundation takes our responsibility to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 very seriously. In-person programming conducted at Stony Kill following the pandemic follows guidelines set by New York State and the Centers for Disease Control to reduce the spread of COVID-19. Staff are required to abide by mask wearing and social distancing guidelines and become vaccinated for COVID-19. Applicants will be expected to be fully vaccinated and provide proof of vaccination prior to their start date.

Application Instructions

Please email your cover letter, resume (with relevant experience and coursework), contact information (email, phone, and best time to call), and 3 references to Sinead Roche at sinead@stonykill.org or send by mail to Stony Kill Foundation, 79 Farmstead Ln, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590.

Stony Kill Foundation is committed to equal opportunity employment, celebrating inclusion and diverse talent.