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SCUBA Marine Educator Summer Position *Job Description*

Overview

Sea Turtle Camp is seeking an enthusiastic and skilled **Scuba Marine Educator** to join our overnight program. This role involves inspiring, teaching, and guiding academically motivated teens (ages 13–17) as they earn their **PADI Scuba Certification** and gain hands-on marine science knowledge.

As a Scuba Marine Educator, you will work closely with the **Unit Leader, Site Director**, and a collaborative team to provide engaging educational programs, facilitate logistics, and ensure camper safety. This position is ideal for individuals passionate about marine stewardship, education, and youth mentorship.

Key Responsibilities

Program Implementation

- ❖ Teach and facilitate **marine science curriculum**, integrating engaging hands-on activities.
- ❖ Lead **sunrise and sunset sea turtle nest walks** with patrol groups.
- ❖ Oversee **program logistics**, including setup, breakdown, and inventory of supplies.
- ❖ Collaborate with the team to deliver a **safe, fun, and enriching experience** for all campers.

Camper Supervision & Safety

- ❖ Provide **24-hour supervision**, ensuring camper well-being in both bunk rooms and field activities.
- ❖ Manage camper behavior with empathy and professionalism, addressing discipline issues as needed.
- ❖ Oversee **medication administration**, dietary preferences, and special needs to ensure inclusivity and comfort.
- ❖ Safely transport students in **15-passenger vans** for camp activities and excursions.

Team Collaboration

- ❖ Support the **Unit Leader** and **Site Director** by handling tasks and delegating responsibilities.
- ❖ Foster professional relationships with interns, volunteers, and staff at the **Karen Beasley Sea Turtle Hospital**.
- ❖ Participate in **daily team meetings**, discussing camper issues, schedules, and logistics.
- ❖ Provide constructive feedback to co-workers and assist in training and mentoring team members.

Administrative & Logistical Duties

- ❖ Complete pre-session preparation, including **reviewing camp binders**, organizing supplies, and ensuring readiness.
- ❖ Perform post-session tasks, such as **cleanup**, inventory management, and evaluations.
- ❖ Maintain a clean, organized workspace and monitor equipment inventory.
- ❖ Communicate professionally with camper parents, addressing questions and concerns during check-in/check-out.

Skills and Requirements Required

- ❖ **BA or BS in Marine Biology, Environmental Science, Education**, or a related field (or currently pursuing).
- ❖ At least **21 years of age** and in **excellent physical condition**.
- ❖ Certifications in **Lifeguarding, CPR, and First Aid** (or willingness to obtain).
- ❖ Experience in **marine science, environmental education**, or youth-focused programs.
- ❖ Strong organizational, communication, and problem-solving skills.
- ❖ Clean driving record and ability to pass a government background check.
- ❖ No conflicting summer commitments, including travel or other obligations.

Preferred

- ❖ **Master's degree** in a relevant field.
- ❖ **SCUBA Certification** (Open Water or higher).
- ❖ Familiarity with **local marine ecosystems** and organisms.
- ❖ Teaching experience or **environmental education certification**.
- ❖ Enthusiastic, team-oriented, and committed to **fun and excellence**.

Why Join Us?

- ❖ **Compensation:** Weekly stipend of **\$350–\$400**, based on experience.
- ❖ **Additional Benefits:** Ocean-view accommodations and most meals provided, valued at **\$2,000**.
- ❖ **Professional Growth:** Gain valuable experience in youth mentorship, marine science education, and program facilitation.
- ❖ **Meaningful Work:** Inspire and empower teens to develop a passion for marine science and environmental stewardship.

Contract Duration

Programs run from **early June to early August** at our ocean-view facility on **Topsail Island, NC**. Mandatory **Sea Turtle Camp training** will be held in **late May** (specific dates TBD).

About Sea Turtle Camp

Sea Turtle Camp provides immersive, hands-on marine biology education for teens passionate about conservation. We aim to cultivate a love for the ocean, build confidence, and inspire a sense of environmental responsibility in our campers.

Mission Statement

"Our mission is to cultivate a love and respect for the ocean by building confidence, developing character, and inspiring coastal conservation through safety, fun, and learning!"

Contact

To learn more or apply, contact the **Program Director** at coordinator@seaturtlecamp.com.