



Awanita Valley

SUMMER STAFF APPLICATION

Please mail completed application to:

Awanita Valley
Attn: Staff Parents
600 Gap Creek Road
Marietta, SC 29661

Email: staffparents@awanita.org

Phone: (864) 836-3956

Website: www.awanita.org

Apply Online at

<http://tinyurl.com/AVsummer19>



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Summer Staff Information

What are the requirements?

Our Summer Staff should be college students or mature rising high school seniors (typically ages 17-24). You must commit to serve for the entire summer, which usually begins in the middle to late May and ends in early August. You are allowed to request a limited number of days off for special events or prior engagements, but they must be approved by the Staff Parents prior to summer. Our Summer Staff are expected to be mature, Christian leaders who will serve as good examples to our campers and younger volunteers.

What will I do?

Our Summer Staff serve in various areas around camp, such as in the kitchen, on the lake as lifeguards, helping with landscaping, or serving as a nanny to our staff kids. No matter the job, all summer staff are expected to help in the kitchen and with housekeeping as needed. It takes all kinds of people and ministry areas to keep camp running smoothly for our campers.

Each day begins with a short devotional, then our summer staff serve in their ministry areas throughout the day. In the evenings we have Bible studies, worship time, and fun activities including Hummer rides, bonfires, lake nights, board games, basketball, 9-square-in-the-air and more!

What are the benefits?

Our Summer Staff are provided housing in our staff house for the summer as well as all meals while you are here. At the end of the summer, you will receive an honorarium which is paid on a sliding scale depending on your age and years of service. Other benefits include valuable work experience, new friends, leadership development, and an opportunity to grow deeper in your faith.

What positions are available?

- Workcrew Mentors
- Lifeguards
- Programming Assistants
- Store Clerk/Office Assistant
- Nannies for Staff Children
- Kitchen & Dining Hall Assistants
- Grounds Crew
- Housekeeping
- Videographer



Summer Staff Job Descriptions

This information is not meant to be all-inclusive of duties; rather it is a brief summary of each area. All Summer Staff are expected to help in the kitchen, housekeeping, with special projects or in any area as needed. We desire mature Christian leaders who are willing to serve wherever needed at any time.

Workcrew Mentors: Our Workcrew Mentors work directly with our teen volunteers; leading them in Bible studies and training them. The Girls' Workcrew Mentor primarily works in the kitchen, leading and training the volunteers to prep food for meals, help with serving meals, and clean up after meals. The Guys' Workcrew Mentor primarily works on grounds, leading and training the volunteers on projects such as weed-eating, trimming shrubs, and more. He will also lead the volunteers in washing dishes in the dish pit after each meal. Our Workcrew Mentors must have a heart for servant leadership and a desire to help disciple others. This is a great position for someone interested in youth ministry!

Lifeguards: A perfect summer job for someone who loves being outdoors! Our lifeguards oversee the safety of all waterfront activities, which includes our swimming area, double zip-line, waterslide, paddleboats, kayaks, and more. You will also be responsible for upkeep of the waterfront areas and equipment. No experience required, however, you must get your lifeguard certification prior to summer (reimbursement may be available).

Staff Nanny: Are you great with kids? Our nannies are responsible for the care of the children of our full-time staff. You will be responsible for taking care of the children, playing with them, and providing fun activities for them throughout the summer. This is a great position for early education majors or future children's ministers!

Kitchen Assistant: Our Kitchen Assistant is responsible for preparing, cooking, serving, and cleaning up after meals, under the supervision of our Kitchen Manager. You will be expected to help keep inventory and keep the kitchen areas clean and organized.

Dining Hall Assistant: Our Dining Hall Assistant is responsible for keeping the dining hall clean and ready for our guests. You will work directly with "Kitchen Patrol" campers. Being friendly and cheerful is expected as you explain their volunteer duties and pray with them. You will also be our stockroom attendant. You will be responsible for checking in food deliveries and putting products in their proper places, keeping inventory, and keeping the stock room and freezers organized and clean.

Programming Assistant: Our Programming Assistant helps in many areas around camp. You will assist our programming director in planning, setting up, and facilitating our summer Inferno Camps. You will also help set-up and facilitate our extra activities such as our slip-n-slide, kiddie pool kickball, and hoedown. You may also be taking photos and videos for marketing, as well as making announcements in the dining hall. You must have lots of energy and be willing to be on stage! This is a great position for someone interested in youth ministry, camp ministry, and more.

Videographer: Our Videographer will take videos and photographs of the campers, develop promotional videos and posts for social media, as well as help out with our Programming. You will be expected to help the Programming Assistant in his/her tasks, as well as help out wherever needed on camp. This is a great chance to build your portfolio for future job opportunities. You must provide your own video & photography equipment.

Grounds Crew: Our Grounds Crew serves the Lord by taking care of our natural beauty and keeping the camp looking great. You will be responsible for weed-eating, trimming shrubs, planting flowers, and more. You will be expected to keep the grounds equipment in good condition and keep track of all equipment and supplies. You will also be responsible for distributing firewood, getting lodges ready for campers, and helping wherever needed on camp.

Store Clerk: Our Store Clerk runs Papa's General Store. Being friendly with campers and providing excellent customer service is required. You will be expected to run a cash register, prepare popcorn and other light snacks, and count inventory of all store items on a regular basis. You are expected to keep the store area, office, and the Welcome Center clean and presentable.

Housekeeper: Providing our guests with clean lodges and meeting rooms is a high priority. Our housekeepers will help clean and maintain our lodges and guest houses for our campers. You will have the opportunity to help train and lead the volunteers and other summer staff in housekeeping as well. You will also be responsible for keeping inventory of housekeeping supplies, restocking supplies, organizing storage closets, and helping with laundry.

If you have any questions about our Summer Staff program, please contact the Staff Parents at staffparents@awanita.org or call (864) 836-3956. We look forward to getting to know you!



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Thank you for your interest in serving the Lord at Awanita Valley! Please fill out this application and send it to us. Please note that you should be at least a rising high school senior or a college student (age 24 and under) to apply for a Summer Staff position.

Today's Date: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Sex: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Mailing Address (if different while away at college, etc.): _____

City, State, Zip: _____

College Phone: _____ Best Way to Contact You? _____

If you are under the age of 18, please fill out the following section. If you are 18+, you may skip to the next section.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent's Address (if different): _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Parent's Home Phone: _____ Parent's Cell Phone: _____

EDUCATION

High School: _____

Current Grade Level: _____ Expected Graduation Month/Year: _____

College: _____

Expected Graduation Month/Year: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Please list any previous work experiences starting with the most recent.

Employer: _____ Position: _____

What did you learn while in this position? _____

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CHURCH INVOLVEMENT

What church do you currently attend? _____

Are you actively involved in church? _____ Please explain. _____

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Please list any volunteer experiences you have had. _____

Please list any extracurricular activities, sports, or clubs you have been involved in. _____

PERSONAL TESTIMONY

How did you become a Christian? _____

Do you feel that you are mature, responsible, and will be a good Christian example to our campers and volunteers?

AWANITA VALLEY

Why do you want to work at Awanita Valley? _____

Have you previously volunteered or served on Summer Staff at Awanita Valley? _____

How did you hear about Awanita Valley and our Summer Staff Program? _____

Understanding that all staff are expected to help wherever needed at any time; what would be your first choice position to serve as summer staff and why? _____

Do you have any prior experience in this area? _____

What would be your second choice position and why? _____

Do you have any prior experience in this area? _____

HEALTH INFORMATION

Do you have any physical, mental, or behavioral impairments which would interfere with your ability to work as a summer staff at camp? If yes, please explain in detail. _____

Please list any prescription medications you take and what they are for. _____

While working at Awanita Valley, you may participate in physical activities such as horseback riding, swimming, hummer rides, hiking, sports, paddle boats, ropes course, zip-line, waterslide, bonfires, and more. You will be exposed to the outdoors a great deal, which means you could come in contact with poison ivy, poison oak, insects, and other various forms of plant and animal life. Please list any known allergies to plants, insects, medications, foods, etc:

Please list and describe any other medical conditions or concerns that require special instructions. _____

Have you ever consumed alcohol, used illegal drugs, or tobacco in any form?

Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, please explain in detail: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime, including child abuse of any kind?

Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, please explain in detail: _____

****Required if you are under 18 years old****

My child is allowed to take over-the-counter medications such as tylenol, advil, mylanta, allergy medications, etc for headaches, sore muscles, allergies, etc. Signature of Parent/Guardian: X



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Summer Staff Reference Form

Applicant: Please print three copies of this page. Have the following people fill out the form and have each person mail the form in to our office. 1. Pastor or Youth Minister 2. Relative 3. Other Adult (employer, teacher, etc.)

We desire to have mature, committed Christians represent our Lord in serving as Summer Staff at Awanita Valley. With this in mind, we ask that you fill out this form on the following applicant and seal it in an envelope signing your name on the seal to ensure confidentiality. All replies will be held in strictest confidence. Because our decision to accept this applicant is based in part on your recommendation, we ask you to give us as detailed an answer as possible, using the back page if necessary, and please let us know if you have any concerns. Thank you for your time and diligence!

Applicant's Name: _____

Your Name: _____ Organization: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____ Years _____ Months

Relationship to applicant: _____

Why would you recommend the applicant to work with Awanita Valley? _____

We demand high standards from our staff spiritually, mentally, physically, and emotionally. This demand is required for the entire length of our summer season. Do you feel the applicant is prepared and ready for this demand? YES NO

Why? _____

Please rate the applicant in the following areas.
(1 = poor/much to improve on, 5 = excellent/highly recommend)

Work ethic	1	2	3	4	5	Ability to cope with stress	1	2	3	4	5
Emotional stability	1	2	3	4	5	Punctuality	1	2	3	4	5
Concern for others	1	2	3	4	5	Ability to plan	1	2	3	4	5
Cheerful disposition	1	2	3	4	5	Follows directions	1	2	3	4	5
Ability to work with others	1	2	3	4	5	Personal appearance	1	2	3	4	5
Spiritual maturity	1	2	3	4	5	Prayer life	1	2	3	4	5
Morals and Integrity	1	2	3	4	5	Communication skills	1	2	3	4	5
Faithfulness and Dedication	1	2	3	4	5	Church involvement	1	2	3	4	5

If you gave a 3 or below for any area please explain: _____

Understanding that each individual has strengths and weaknesses, are there any weaknesses that would hinder their success if they do not have sufficient supervision and guidance? _____

I can recommend this applicant:

- _____ in the highest regard. They will be an excellent member of your staff!
 _____ with some concerns, but they should do a good job.
 _____ not at all. They are not ready for this type of responsibility.

Please tell us why. _____

Are you aware of any lifestyle, conduct, or activity that this individual has been involved in that would damage his/her testimony, negatively impact his/her ministry with us, or affect the credibility and integrity of Awanita Valley? YES NO

If yes, please explain. _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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AWANITA SUMMER STAFF AND VOLUNTEER LIABILITY RELEASE

NOTE: WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANYONE WHO DOES NOT HAVE AN AWANITA VALLEY LIABILITY RELEASE FORM SIGNED BY THE PROPER INDIVIDUALS.

If there are existing medical limitations; including allergies, which would affect or limit you or your child's participation in any camp activity, or of which medical personnel should be made aware, please indicate below. Without such notice, it will be assumed that you or your child is physically fit and mentally capable of participation in ALL activities.

**** NOTIFY THE STAFF PARENTS OF ANY MEDICAL LIMITATIONS OR SPECIAL NEEDS.**

**** THE STAFF PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING CARE OF THESE SPECIAL NEEDS.**

Awanita Valley, Look Up Lodge, including employees and representatives of the aforementioned organizations shall be held harmless from any suit, action, damages, or claims at law or otherwise resulting from or arising out of any injury, accident, or illness which may befall on X and his/her property

Name of Volunteer /Summer Staff

while a volunteer at Awanita Valley. If the volunteer is a minor, this covenant is applicable to the volunteer and his/her parents or guardian.

The undersigned parent or guardian hereby authorizes Awanita Valley or employee to take such action as may be necessary for the medical care or treatment including the administration of medication, permission for surgery, or such other action as needed in the event of injury or illness of camper or when parent or guardian cannot be reached for authorization. In the event the authorized person refuses or is not able to act, Awanita Valley personnel are authorized as set forth above. This authorization may be presented to medical personnel without liability of said personnel to seek further authority.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM

In the event of an emergency, I, _____, give permission to the Awanita Staff to take me / my child for needed medical treatment.

Person to contact in case of emergency:

Name/s: _____

Phone Numbers: _____

1st number to call

2nd number to call

Insurance Company: _____

Group / Policy Number: _____

Policyholder's Name: _____

The above agreements must be signed by each Summer Staff and Volunteer at Awanita Valley Camp.

If you are under the age of 18, your parent or legal guardian must also sign.

It is understood that Awanita Valley Camp will assume NO RESPONSIBILITY for my transportation to and from camp and while on camp. I am volunteering my services with no expectation of remuneration. It is understood that the camp and/or camp staff shall not be held liable for accidents or illness, which may occur to me while volunteering, and I shall abide by all rules of the Handbook and the Camp.

X

Applicant's Signature

X

Date

X

Parent / Legal Guardian of Applicant (if under age 18)