



SHARPE RESERVATION FARM NUTRITIONIST

The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit youth development organization, has provided free summer experiences to more than 1.8 million New York City children from low-income communities since 1877. Despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, The Fund continues to provide safe, fun, engaging and enriching experiences for New York City youth to keep the magic of summer alive through virtual and outdoor programs. Fresh Air children also participate in year-round leadership and educational programs. For more information, visit www.FreshAir.org.

Position Summary

The Fresh Air Fund is hiring a seasonal summer Farm Nutritionist to facilitate farm to table educational programming at our model farm this summer. The role requires the person to plan and facilitate summer farm visits that educate campers about nutrition, where food comes from, and the importance of a healthy diet. Farm Nutritionists maintain the DOH and ACA compliance of the farm, along with maintaining the garden and taking care of the farm animals. The ideal candidate is curious, hardworking and has a love of the outdoors and a background in nutrition or as a dietician with some previous experience with farm animals or gardening.

This is a residential seasonal position that is scheduled to begin and to continue at least until August 3rd, 2022. This position is based at Sharpe Reservation. The role will be in-person and will report to the Farm Director.

Responsibilities

1. Create and conduct one-hour classes that emphasize and make connections to in-season foods with the importance of diet and good health as well as connecting the food campers eat to where it originated from.
2. Oversee daily morning breakfast programs and occasional dinner programs that utilize farm products from the farm garden and/or local farms.
3. Maintain the daily sanitation and food safety measures of the nutrition center. Oversee other farm staff to ensure they are in compliance with safety measures of the program area including basic sanitation, equipment operations, proper food handling and other operational hazards.
4. Oversee food ordering and inventory.
5. Ensure the safety of the campers while in the program area. This includes safe use of specialized equipment such as knives, appliances, etc. as well as enforcing counselors are present with their groups at all times.
6. Participate in caring for the animals and maintaining the garden at the farm.
7. Participate fully in all assigned camp activities.
8. Understand that campers come first and decisions should be made in the best interest of campers.
9. Address stressful situations appropriately in a fast-paced, interactive environment.
10. Strive to work in a cooperative manner with fellow staff to achieve goals of the program.
11. Explain and enforce the policies, traditions, and rules of camp.

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12. Invest time with campers to meet their needs, challenge their capabilities, and serve as a role model during their time at camp.
13. Take ownership of the use and care of camp equipment and facilities.
14. Be totally familiar with emergency procedures and follow them when necessary.
15. Additional responsibilities as needed and assigned.

Qualifications

1. Must be at least 18 years of age by the start of camp.
2. At least one year of college or equivalent with coursework in nutrition preferred.
3. A minimum of one-year experience working with children is required. Staff must be passionate about working with children.
4. Must have teaching experience in this area and prior experience with cooking, planning and ordering food. Should also have basic knowledge of nutrition and benefits of healthy eating with some knowledge of food justice issues.
5. Interested in working and living in the outdoors for the summer.
6. Emotionally mature with a willingness to work as a team player.
7. Flexible and willing to accept challenges and step outside comfort zone.
8. Able to maintain a positive attitude.
9. Available for the entire duration of the summer program.

Employment Period: June 15, 2022 – August 3, 2022

Compensation: Salaries are \$2,200 - \$2,500 and are commensurate with experience

Benefits: None

Application Instructions

To apply please, submit an application by clicking on the **Sharpe Reservation Staff Application** link at: <https://freshairfund.workbrightats.com/jobs/> We are hiring on a rolling basis and encourage interested applicants to apply as early as possible. No calls or recruiters, please.

The Fresh Air Fund is proud to be an equal opportunity employer, committed to inclusive hiring, and dedicated to diversity in its work and on its staff. We strongly encourage candidates of all identities, experiences, orientations, and communities to apply.