

## **ACES Educator-in-Training Volunteer Application 2019**

### **Hallam Lake & Rock Bottom Ranch**

#### **ABOUT ACES Kids Summer Programs:**

The Aspen Center for Environmental Studies (ACES) offers week-long summer programs for nine weeks in the summer running from mid-June to mid-August. Our daily hours of operation for programs are 9:30am to 3:30pm Monday-Friday. Our program offerings are broken up by age to provide age appropriate activities and content, typically 5-6yrs, 7-8yrs, 9-12yrs, 11-14yrs. Please visit our website at <https://www.aspennature.org/learn/programs/summer-fall/kids> for a full listing of program descriptions.

#### **ACES Educator- in-Training (E-I-T) Volunteer Program:**

ACES E-I-T program offers the volunteer opportunity to individuals ages 14 through 18 to assist ACES educators in teaching our week-long summer programs, developing their experience working with children, and outdoor leadership skills. Throughout the summer, ACES E-I-T volunteers will be paired with an ACES educator. ACES E-I-T volunteers will assist ACES Educators with daily management of program responsibilities and activities, ranging from hiking to arts and crafts to science experiments and more. Each week is different and will provide diverse experiences for the volunteer. This opportunity is perfect for teens who are looking for volunteering in a fun and educational setting with children, especially those who may have "graduated" from ACES programs or are interested in the field of environmental education. ACES E-I-T volunteers will receive official acknowledgement of their volunteer hours at the end of their service.

#### **Location & Facilities:**

The Aspen Center for Environmental Studies (ACES) has two main field study center locations where we offer Summer kids NFS Programs. ACES at Hallam Lake in Aspen, CO, and ACES at Rock Bottom Ranch in Basalt, CO. ACES E-I-T volunteers have the choice to volunteer at one or both sites.

#### **Basic Requirements for ACES Educator- in-Training (E-I-T) Volunteer Program:**

- Must be at least 14 years of age as of June 10, 2019, and younger than 19 years of age.
- Required to volunteer for **at least** one full week, Monday-Friday, 9AM - 4PM (multiple weeks available).
- Must bring your own snack and lunch, and pack for adventure: cellphone, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, water, closed-toed shoes, extra layers, and rain jacket.
- Must assist ACES Educators with daily management of class with a positive, friendly attitude.
- Must be reliable, comfortable with being outside for up to 6 hours a day, and a confident hiker.
- Must read and understand general program policies and procedures before their scheduled week to volunteer.
- Fill out this application and return to Phebe Meyers, ACES Naturalist Field School Manager at [pmeyers@aspennature.org](mailto:pmeyers@aspennature.org)

ACES EDUCATOR-in-TRAINING VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

TODAY'S DATE \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE FILL OUT COMPLETELY)
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APPLICANT INFORMATION:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_
Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_
Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_
School attending in Sept 2019 \_\_\_\_\_ Grade entering in Sept 2019 \_\_\_\_\_
Parent/Guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_
Phone 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle any current certifications: First Aid, Child CPR, Adult CPR, WSI Lifeguard, Other (please list):

Allergies: Please list all allergies or dietary restrictions; describe reaction and management if applicable (ie: I carry an EpiPen or medications and this is how they are used)

DO you have any limitations which may affect your ability to perform this job you are applying for? If YES, please explain:

Please circle the age group(s) you are interested in volunteering with (you may circle more than one):

- 5-6 years 7-8 years 9-12 years 11-14 years

Please circle the program location(s) you are interested in volunteering at:

- ACES at Hallam Lake in Aspen, CO Rock Bottom Ranch in Basalt, CO

Camp week(s) available to volunteer (please circle a minimum of one):

- June 10-14 July 1-3 July 22-26
June 19-21 July 8-12 July 29-August 2 August 12-16
June 24-28 July 16-20 August 5-9

Are you a previous ACES program participant: YES NO
If YES, what is your most memorable experience from camp? If NO, what is one of your most memorable experiences in an outdoor setting from childhood?

Why are you applying to be an ACES E-I-T volunteer?

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How do you think an experience as a ACES E-I-T volunteer will help you with your future goals?

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**VOLUNTEER APPLICANT AND PARENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
PLEASE READ AND SIGN:**

I am aware that the statements I/my child make on this volunteer application will be completely verified by the Aspen Center for Environmental Studies (ACES). I understand that I am/my child is making a commitment to at least one full week of a program Monday-Friday during the allotted hours of the program day. I understand that I/my child must be a minimum of 14 years of age by June 10, 2019 to qualify for this program and able to fulfill the requirements outlined in this document.

**As the applicant for this program, I understand the above statements:**

**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**As the parent/guardian for the above signed applicant, I understand the above statements and give my permission for the applicant's participation in the ACES Educator-In-Training Volunteer Program**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

