



# TWIN EAGLES WILDERNESS SCHOOL

## SUMMER CAMPS 2014 LEAD INSTRUCTOR

Twin Eagles Wilderness School is currently hiring adult **Lead Instructors** for Twin Eagles Summer Camps 2014. We have a strong reputation as a powerful center for passion-based deep nature connection in the Inland Northwest with positive mentoring relationships with the families and individuals we work with.

### **Responsibilities**

- Mentor youth in deep nature connection and wilderness skills using nature based depth mentoring
- Inspire youth to find their unique gifts through their connection with nature, community, and self
- Ensure the safety of all participants
- Serve as a positive role model for youth through a true passion for learning
- Mentor assistant instructors and teenage M.I.T.s (Mentors-in-Training) in the mentoring journey
- Support participant's basic physical needs throughout the day
- Support the setup and cleanup of camp gear, including transport
- Attend and positively contribute towards high quality planning and debrief sessions
- Report to the Program Director and School Directors

### **Qualifications**

#### **Basic**

- Must have one to three years professional experience with deep nature connection mentoring ages 3-18 in an outdoor setting
- Must be certified in First Aid and CPR training. Wilderness First Aid preferred
- Must be 18 years or older, have a valid driver's license, and agree to a background check

#### **Personal**

- Passionate and curious student of the earth; versatile and can adapt to changes
- Basic proficiency in the diverse species and skills of the natural world including but not limited to hazards, mammals, plants, ecological indicators, trees & birds, as well as naturalist skills, tracking, wild edible & medicinal plants, caretaking, aidless navigation, ecology, permaculture, wilderness survival and bird language
- Basic proficiency as a storyteller, as a song leader, and in the arts
- Physically fit and in shape
- Ability to safely use and maintain a variety of different tools and gear and ensure that for others
- Ability to successfully take care of personal needs and tend your own inner fire and can demonstrate a positive countenance, mood and spirit upon arrival, during and departure of programs.
- Commitment to peace, positive communication, inclusiveness, appreciation, integrity, unity and love.
- Commitment to joyful, hard work
- Keep a clean and orderly environment

#### **Mentoring**

- Safety and hazard awareness competency
- Confidently demonstrate outdoor leadership skills and positive role modeling
- Self-directed while also working joyfully in a collaborative team environment
- Self-motivated, accountable and have strong organizational skills
- Excellent communication skills with people including parents, children and families
- Creative and fun loving
- Positive and competent outlook in both calm and challenging situations
- Passionately design and weave complex, interactive activities for small and large groups
- Set and communicate boundaries for youth in a positive way
- Passionately engage and motivate children in developmentally appropriate activities
- Passionately help students process and harvest the teachings of all experiences
- Positively receive feedback for positive growth as part of the mentoring experience
- Ability to take directives when needed

### **Preference will be given to applicants who have:**

- Excellence in the diverse species and skills of the natural world including hazards, mammals, plants, ecological indicators, trees & birds, as well as naturalist skills, tracking, wild edible & medicinal plants, aidless navigation, ecology, permaculture, wilderness survival and bird language
- Excellence as a deep nature connection mentor, storyteller, song leader, musician and in the arts
- Graduated the Twin Eagles Wilderness Immersion Program (or equivalent), the Twin Eagles Depth Mentoring Apprenticeship (or equivalent), and the Kamana Naturalist Training Program.
- Wilderness First Responder certification

### **Dates & Hours** (Availability for any or all of the following weeks)

- **Sandpoint Day Camp for Preschoolers ~ for kids ages 3 - 6 ~ Mon June 16 - Friday June 20**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday June 15 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 3 pm Mon - Thur.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 6 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Spokane Day Camp for Preschoolers ~ for kids ages 3 - 6 ~ Mon June 23 - Friday June 27**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday June 22 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 3 pm Mon - Thur.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 6 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Wilderness Survival Day Camp ~ Sandpoint ~ for kids ages 6 - 13 ~ Mon June 16 - Fri June 20**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday June 15 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 5 pm Mon - Thur.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 8 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Wilderness Survival Day Camp ~ Spokane ~ for kids ages 6 - 13 ~ Mon July 7 - Fri July 11**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday July 6 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 5 pm Mon - Thur.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 8 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Nature Ninjas Day Camp ~ Sandpoint ~ for kids ages 6 - 13 ~ Mon June 30 - Fri July 4**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday June 29 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 5 pm Mon - Thurs.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 8 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Nature Ninjas Day Camp ~ Spokane ~ for kids ages 6 - 13 ~ Mon June 23 - Fri June 27**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday June 22 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 5 pm Mon - Thurs.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 8 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Woodland Archers Day Camp ~ Sandpoint ~ for kids ages 8 - 14 ~ Mon July 7 - Fri July 11**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday July 6 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 5 pm Mon - Thurs.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 8 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Woodland Archers Day Camp ~ Spokane ~ for kids ages 8 - 14 ~ Mon June 30 - Fri July 4**
  - Includes training & prep day Sunday June 29 (9 am - 5 pm), then 8 am - 5 pm Mon - Thurs.
  - Friday goes from 8 am - 8 pm, including a special parent circle, cleanup and debrief.
- **Overnight Camp for 10 - 13 year olds ~ Sunday July 20 - Friday July 25**
  - Staff work two five hour shifts per day of camp
  - Includes training, prep, and free skills workshop Tue July 15 - Sat July 19, 9 am - 5 pm daily.
- **Overnight Camp for Teens (13 & up) ~ Monday July 28 - Sunday August 3**
  - Staff work two five hour shifts per day of camp
  - Includes training & prep day Sun July 27, 9 am - 5 pm.
  - Includes debrief, cleanup and pack up day on Monday August 4, 9 am - 8 pm

### **Locations**

Spokane Day Camps located within 15 minutes of Spokane, Sandpoint Day Camps located within 20 minutes of Sandpoint, Overnight Camps location 30 minutes north of Priest River, ID.

## **Benefits**

*At Twin Eagles Wilderness School, we operate with multiple bottom lines. This means we value and are continually considering our positive impact on the Earth and on humans as much as personal and financial gain. Therefore, we ask all our volunteer and paid staff to do the same.*

- **Benefits to the Earth**
  - Positively contribute towards the Vision of living in balance with the Earth
- **Benefits to People:**
  - Opportunity to support others in their journey of deep nature connection, wilderness skills, community building, nature based mentoring, and towards realizing and living their unique gifts upon this Earth
- **Personal Benefit:**
  - Opportunity to learn more about Twin Eagles programs through direct exposure and experience
  - Opportunity to powerfully immerse in nature, receiving mentoring in wilderness survival & primitive skills, wildlife tracking, wild edible & medicinal plants, permaculture & regenerative design, nature based mentoring & cultural restoration, naturalist training, bird language & native scout teachings, and inner tracking.
  - Opportunity to have fun working with highly creative and possibility minded lifelong learners creating a powerful cultural learning environment for youth and adults experiencing deep nature connection, community building, and self-discovery.
  - Professional training, mentoring, support and feedback for personal growth as a nature based mentor.
  - Opportunity to build relationships and network within the greater deep nature connection mentoring movement.
  - For overnight camps, accommodations and meals are provided
  - Staff's children are offered a 10% discount on summer camps
  - Day Camps, \$450 or more per camp, based on experience.
  - Overnight Camp for 10-13 year olds, \$575 or more, based on experience.
  - Overnight Camp for Teens, \$525 or more, based on experience.

## **To Apply, contact:**

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*Please visit [www.TwinEagles.org](http://www.TwinEagles.org) for more info on our summer camps.*

**Please apply as soon as possible. Applying early will increase your chance of being accepted.**