

Position Title: Outdoor School Volunteer

Organization: The Pine Project

Location: Don Valley/Humber Valley Area, Toronto, Ontario

Hours per Week: Once weekly commitment from October 2020 to June 2021 at one of our Outdoor School programs.



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Application Deadline: Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis until positions are filled.

Why Volunteer?

Volunteers at the Pine Project earn valuable experience in our unique mentoring approach, develop their wilderness skills and proficiency, and gain opportunities to learn new in-depth naturalist skills from our experienced staff. Our staff are a community of mentors and avid learners. If you're looking to learn new skills and knowledge about nature, education and working with youth, there is no better place!

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist in providing positive learning and recreational experiences for children and youth ages 0-13 and their parents.
- Assist in the supervision of educational and recreational activities.
- Assist Pine instructors with program set-up and delivery.
- Be prepared to work outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Be available for at least one program (programs run from 3 to 8 hours) once per week from October - June, including 30 min of preparation/organization time at the beginning of each program and 15 min of debrief time at the end of each program.

QUALIFICATIONS

Volunteers must:

- Be enthusiastic, outgoing, and flexible
- Have experience working with children
- Be able and willing to work as part of a team
- Have good communication, time management, and organizational skills
- Identify with our mission statement and core values
- Have a desire to further their own naturalist/primitive skills, mentoring techniques, and/or nature connection through professional development opportunities with Pine staff members.

Preference will be given to candidates with experience and/or interest in the following areas:

- Outdoor and environmental education
- Naturalist knowledge
- Survival/wilderness skills
- Working in camp settings
- Experience with Pine or affiliate organizations around North America

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

There is a two-step application process.

1. Interested applicants are asked to fill out a quick application form at <https://pineprojectstaff.campbrainstaff.com/>
2. Additionally, applicants are asked to forward their cover letter and resume with two references by email to pinevolunteers@pineproject.org.

Applicants will be assessed on an ongoing basis.

Please use the subject line: **Volunteer Application: [Your Name]**

We thank all applicants for their interest, but regret that we are only able to respond to those selected for interviews.

Please note that all volunteers working directly with children will require a Vulnerable Sectors check through their local police station.

Volunteer Training: You will be required to attend a mandatory volunteer training session (dates will be communicated upon interviewing).