



Summer Camp Science Guide

Overview and Outcomes

Are you a high school student who likes math and science? Do you like to engage with kids? Would you like to gain public speaking and leadership experience while learning? Then join our amazing team as a Summer Camp Science Guide!

The Science Museum of Virginia will host six weeks of STEM camps with the following themes: *Animal Armor*, *Building Bonanza*, *Under the Sea*, *Maker Marathon*, *Sporty Science* and *The Science of Art*. We are looking for enthusiastic high school volunteers to help us facilitate these.

While working with our summer camps, Camp Science Guides will gain experience and skills key to careers in teaching, museums, and the non-profit world, such as program development and informal education techniques for kids ages 6-12.

Summer Camp Science Guide duties include:

- Creating a welcoming, friendly, supportive environment for campers and their parents
- Helping to ensure campers' safety and acting as a role model and mentor
- Facilitating games
- Assisting camp staff with daily activities
- Presenting science content in a camp setting
- Helping set up before and cleaning up after activities
- Solving problems
- Communicating well with other camp counselors
- Organizing materials
- Other duties as assigned

Qualifications:

- In high school and be 14-18 years of age.
- Able to stand for long periods of time.
- Outgoing, enthusiastic, creative, energetic.
- Must have patience and like children.
- Strong interest in math and science preferred.
- Ability to take and follow direction and adhere to museum policies.
- Enjoy learning new information and sharing it in an age appropriate, interesting, accurate, fun and educational manner.
- Demonstrate maturity, common sense, flexibility, and reliability.
- Ability to work independently while following supervisor's instructions and guidance.

Commitment

Summer Camp shifts are weekdays from 8:25 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. or 11:25 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Camp sessions are Monday- Friday from July 11 – August 19.

A mandatory training class will be held July 7-8.

Candidates must commit to participating in any/all training sessions associated with the position.

Location

Science Museum of Virginia, 2500 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23200-2054

To apply:

Candidate must submit all of the following to be considered for an internship:

- Online Camp Science Guide application -
- Cover letter addressing your interest in the position
- One non-related adult reference

Please have your cover letter and adult reference information ready to include in your online application.

Questions? Please contact Laura Brady, Volunteer Coordinator, lbrady@smv.org or 804-864-1514