



## Camp Cool Environment VolunTeen Program 2019

Who Is My Neighbor? Inc. offers a fun, challenging, and rewarding opportunity for teenagers to serve as VolunTeens (Volunteer + Teenagers) at Camp Cool Environment, located in The Cave youth recreation facility in the lower lever of the Reformed Church of Highland Park, NJ, 19 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

Volunteens work with camp directors, adult volunteers, and other volunteens to create a safe, fun, and exciting time for campers, while discovering the value of working as a community volunteer.

**Please note: THIS IS NOT A PAID POSITION.**

### **Volunteen Description**

- Serve as a mentor to children ages 8-11.
- Engage in activities with campers such as playing games, doing art, and helping with weekly projects.
- Assist camp directors with daily tasks such as snack preparation and maintaining facility cleanliness.
- Oversee campers on field trips.
- Care for camp equipment and supplies.

### **Volunteen Requirements**

- Entering 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades or completion of high school senior year as of June.
- Commitment to attend each day of camp on the week assigned and for the full length of time, arriving promptly by 8:30am and leaving at 4:30pm each day.
- Turn off cell phone and all electronic devices during camp hours.
- Attend training session on Sunday, June 17, 2018.

### **Volunteen Qualifications**

- Behave with kindness, respect, and compassion for yourself and others.
- Possess a sincere enjoyment of working with younger children entering 3rd-6th grade.
- Demonstrate leadership skills when working with younger children, understanding of their needs and putting their comfort and safety first.
- Responsible to complete assigned tasks, trustworthy, and able to work as a team member in cooperation with the other camp staff.
- Be in good health and positive spirit.

### **Steps to Becoming a Volunteen**

1. Complete and return the attached application (deadline May 1st).  
Mail, email, or deliver to: Who Is My Neighbor? Inc., 19 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Highland Park, NJ 08904.  
If you have any questions, please contact Lara Arp: lara@whoismyneighbor.net (732) 379-0897
2. If this is your first summer to apply, you will be asked to attend an interview and possibly provide references upon request. Repeat volunteens are not required to interview again for this summer.
3. Participate in the volunteen training session.
4. Sign your contract and begin your summer adventures as a Volunteen!

 **Who Is My Neighbor? Inc.** is a non-profit organization that provides enriching social and educational programs for children, families, and adults to create connections and foster a sense of belonging in our diverse community.

# Volunteer Application for Summer 2019 \*Submission deadline: May 1, 2019\*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age today \_\_\_\_\_ Grade entering in September \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Child Care Experience:** List any experience you have in caring for younger children: looking after and playing with them, or babysitting. (Can be with younger siblings, neighbor children, etc.) List their age(s), how many times you took care of them, what you did to entertain them.

**Activities:** List any activities you are involved in. Include team sports, school clubs, youth organizations, volunteer experience, community projects, lessons you have taken (such as karate, dance, musical instruments, art, language), etc.

**Why do you want to serve as a Volunteer?** Please give your reason(s).

Check the week(s) you are available to volunteer, **in order of your preference 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc.** If you do not yet know, leave it blank, and you may provide this information at a later time.

- \_\_\_\_ Week 1: 6/24-6/28      **UNDER THE SEA**  
Field trip: Adventure Aquarium & Crystal Springs Waterpark
- \_\_\_\_ Week 2: 7/1-7/3      **MINUTE TO WIN IT!** (closed on 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Field trip: Crystal Springs Waterpark
- \_\_\_\_ Week 3: 7/8-7/12      **JUNIOR CHEFS**  
Field trip: Duke Farms & Crystal Springs Waterpark
- \_\_\_\_ Week 4: 7/15-7/19      **ART IN 3D**  
Field trip: Grounds for Sculpture & Crystal Springs Waterpark
- \_\_\_\_ Week 5: 7/22-7/26      **ENERGY IN MOTION**  
Field trip: "Simply Steampunk" at Morris Museum & Crystal Springs
- \_\_\_\_ Week 6: 7/29-8/2      **DETECTIVE & SPIES**  
Field trip: Amazing Escape Room & Crystal Springs Waterpark
- \_\_\_\_ Week 7: 8/5-8/9      **THEATER WEEK:** Script writing, song, dance, design and performance.  
Field trip: Crystal Springs Waterpark
- \_\_\_\_ Week 8: 8/12-8/16      **COOPERATIVE PLAY & INCLUSION WEEK:**  
We are working with VISTAS Education Partners to offer this week with a morning inclusion camp component 9am-12pm, Mon-Thurs, welcoming campers with disabilities in 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades.  
Field trip: Crystal Springs Waterpark

**What is the maximum number of weeks would you like to volunteer?** \_\_\_\_\_  
(You will be selected for one or more weeks of camp, depending on the number of applicants received.)

### Parent/Guardian's Permission to Participate

My child (name) \_\_\_\_\_  
is in good health and has my permission, if selected, to serve as a Volunteer. I hereby waive Who Is My Neighbor? Inc. and the Reformed Church of Highland Park from any claims for damages to person while participating in this program. I understand my child needs to attend the Volunteer training as his/her schedule permits (June 17, 2018) in order to volunteer at Camp Cool Environment.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_