

General Volunteer Information

Program Goals

Thurston County Inclusion's mission is to provide opportunities for youth of all abilities to create, form and strengthen relationships that will last a lifetime. It is our hope that through our camp, participants will form relationships with their peers, gain camp experience, meet others with different abilities, be active and outside, and experience new opportunities. We use volunteers to make this mission possible. Without your help, we would not be able to accomplish this mission.

Application Process

Volunteers need to complete the volunteer application on our website. Send this PDF to register@thurstoncountyinclusion.org. Once this has been completed, volunteers will need to pass a background check. The background check needs to be completed once every three years.

Volunteer Time Commitment

We ask volunteers to commit to attending either two year-round activities and/or volunteering for the summer camp. Summer camp volunteers need to be able to commit to five/eight camp days.

How to Sign-Up to Volunteer

Once you have completed the application process, you will be added to the volunteer mailing list. You will be emailed when opportunities to volunteer are available.

Volunteer Roles

We have many volunteer roles available and encourage volunteers to try out different roles. Roles include group leader, station leader, one-on-one support and photographer. There will also be opportunities throughout the year to volunteer behind the scenes for those who may be interested.

Volunteer Orientation

We ask volunteers to attend a volunteer orientation during their first year of volunteering. The orientation is held before summer camp each year. In 2022, it will be held on Friday, June 24th from 9:30 to 2:30 at Lacey Community Center. Lunch will be provided.

Summer Camp Volunteers

Summer camp volunteers are absolutely crucial to our success! Here are the times available for volunteering:

- Morning Session, 8:15 - 11:15
- Afternoon Session, 11:30 - 2:30
- All Day (Lunch will likely be provided)

Value of Volunteering

There are many intrinsic values of volunteering, including improved self-confidence, organization, demonstrating kindness, and giving you a sense of purpose. We can also provide letters of recommendations or documentation of community service.