

# Education Ambassador

## Volunteer Position Description



### Program Supervisor

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NATURE PRESERVE

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Education ambassadors play a crucial role in promoting the mission of CNP by assisting with educational programs, tabling events, and leading 'Walk and Talks' within the preserve. These volunteers are the bridge between CNP's natural wonders and the public, ensuring an informative and memorable experience for all visitors.

### Requirements

- Possess an interest in education and wildlife.
- Comfortable working outdoors, whether it's standing in one place for extended periods or walking several miles around the preserve.
- Good communication skills, with the ability to follow both written and oral directions.
- Apply good judgment regarding visitor safety.
- All volunteers must complete a background check before working with visitors.
- Provide your own appropriate outdoor clothing and gear.
- Wear the issued volunteer badge while on duty.
- Report volunteer service hours through the online reporting system.

### Time Commitment

- Volunteers are expected to maintain a consistent presence, with specific hours determined based on availability and program needs.

### Duties

- Assist with education programs, including the Nature Discovery after-school class for K5-Middle School aged children.
- Table during events, providing information, answering questions, and promoting CNP.
- Lead 'Walk and Talks,' guiding visitors through the preserve and highlighting key features.
- Enforce basic Preserve rules and guidelines.
- Represent Conestee in a positive manner, serving as a face of the organization.
- Communicate effectively with the public, both in group settings and one-on-one interactions.

## Benefits

- Play a key role in preserving unique ecosystems.
- Work closely with nature and deepen your ecological knowledge.
- Engage with a community passionate about habitat preservation.
- Share experiences with CNP visitors and staff.
- Enjoy a 10% discount at our gift shop.
- Earn milestone rewards based on hours volunteered.
- Enjoy volunteer recognition events.

## Next Steps

### 1. Submit an Application

Visit [conesteepereserve.org/volunteer](http://conesteepereserve.org/volunteer) to submit an application.

### 2. Brief interview with our team

Our team will review your application and a program supervisor will contact you to conduct a brief interview. Please be patient as you wait to hear from us.

### 3. Background Check

All volunteers are subject to a background check. Our background check partner, Checkr, will send you a link to submit information. Please help us offset the cost of the check by making a \$22.99 donation.

### 4. Orientation

All volunteers will participate in our brief, virtual orientation to familiarize themselves with the Preserve's history, our policies and procedures, and our volunteer tracking software.

### 5. Program-specific Training

In addition to a general volunteer orientation, volunteers receive hands-on training for their specific role. Your program supervisor will coordinate your training.

### 6. Start Volunteering!

## Questions?

If you have additional questions, please reach out to Ben Stansell, our volunteer coordinator, at [ben@conesteepereserve.org](mailto:ben@conesteepereserve.org).



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