

Animal-Assisted Activities For Children With Disabilities

## Camp Geronimo at The Barn at Spring Brook Farm

## **Paid Intern Job Description**

Reports to: Camp Director/ Assistant Director

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 2:30 pm

| June 17 <sup>th</sup>   | -   | June 21 <sup>st</sup>                              |
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| June 24 <sup>th</sup>   | -   | June 28 <sup>th</sup>                              |
| July 29 <sup>th</sup>   | -   | August 2 <sup>nd</sup>                             |
| August 5 <sup>th</sup>  | -   | August 9 <sup>th</sup>                             |
| August 12 <sup>th</sup> | -   | August 16 <sup>th</sup>                            |
| August 19th             | -   | August 23 <sup>rd</sup>                            |
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**Summary:** Camp Geronimo is a summer day camp for children ages 6-12 with special needs. It is located on a 17-acre farm in West Chester, PA that is 100% wheelchair accessible. Up to 16 children per week are paired with their own counselor providing them with one on one support. Animal-assisted activities are a unique aspect of the day camp and allow children to work on individual goals in a safe and secure environment.

Salary: \$10 per hour

**Duties:** 

- Assist the Camp Director and Assistant Director in the execution of daily camp activities
- Ensure the safety of assigned camper, providing one-to-one supervision at all times
- Assist assigned camper in achieving individual goals throughout each day, actively engaging in camp activities with camper
- Maintain the highest level of safety for all campers, staff, and animals
- Maintain a clean and organized camp setting including but not limited to (loft, picnic area, bathrooms, and supply room)
- With direction from the Camp Director/Assistant Director, assist with the set up and break down of all activities; beginning of day and end of day tasks; communication of daily activity plans and participation to parents/guardians.





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- Assist other camp counselors with their questions and concerns and use previous work experience to troubleshoot issues that arise
- Follow directions and fulfill requests from Camp Director and Assistant Camp Director

## **Qualifications:**

- Must be comfortable working with children with various special needs and working with animals.
- Must be flexible, open to new learning and maintain a positive attitude.
- Must actively participate in mandatory training sessions offered on a Saturday or Sunday prior to the start of Camp
- Must be available to work all six weeks (or have Director's Approval to work less than 6 weeks)
- Must submit a completed application, resume and 2 references
- Must have completed PA State Police Criminal Record Check, PA Child Abuse Clearance, and FBI Fingerprinting Clearance.

