

# ONTARIO SCIENCE CENTRE

## RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS VOLUNTEER 2022

### The Ontario Science Centre – Volunteer with us!

We are looking for enthusiastic youth volunteers with an interest in science and technology to contribute to our Summer Day Camp Program. If you are between 15 and 17 years of age and you enjoy working with children, working as a Recreational Programs Volunteer could be a very rewarding and enriching experience for you!

#### Join our Recreational Programs Team

The Recreational and Family Learning Experiences Unit at the Ontario Science Centre hosts exciting programs to inspire a lifelong journey of curiosity and discovery for participants of all ages and abilities. We offer a variety of hands-on science workshops, demonstrations and activities.

#### As a Recreational Programs Volunteer at the Ontario Science Centre Summer Day Camp, you will:

- Interact with various groups of Campers 5 to 10 years of age and assist with their supervision
- Guide the Campers' exploration of the exhibit halls throughout the Centre
- Assist in the delivery of science programs and recreational activities in both indoor and outdoor settings
- Learn and develop interpersonal, communication and leadership skills

#### Recreational Programs Volunteers must be between 15 and 17 years of age and be available for the following commitments:

- **In-Person Group Interviews** – Evening of Tuesday May 24
- **In-Person Mandatory Training** (successful candidates only) – Evenings of June 7 and 14
- **In-Person Camp** – Monday to Friday, 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., for two consecutive weeks of Camp, either from July 4–22, July 25–August 12, or August 15–August 26

Applications will be accepted via email, fax or regular mail only. All applicants will receive a confirmation email to acknowledge receipt of their application. **Applications that are dropped off at the Science Centre will not be accepted!**

**All applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Friday May 13.** Please include a completed **Recreational Programs Volunteer Reference Form** with your application.

#### COVID-19 SAFETY

The Ontario Science Centre will operate Camp in accordance with public health guidelines. At this time, masks are not required in the Science Centre, but we support all visitors, Campers, staff and volunteers who choose to wear a mask. Similarly, we encourage self-screening each day prior to Camp.

Please note that masking mandates and other COVID-19-related measures may change as public health guidelines evolve. We will communicate any changes to Science Centre policy as they occur.

**Fax:** (416) 696-3226

**Email:** [volunteer@ontariosciencecentre.ca](mailto:volunteer@ontariosciencecentre.ca)

**Mail:** Ontario Science Centre, Attn: Recreational Programs, 770 Don Mills Rd. Toronto, ON, M3C 1T3

**Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the Ontario Science Centre!**

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## APPLICATION FORM : RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS VOLUNTEER 2022

Please type to complete this form.

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

What pronouns do you use?  She/Her/Hers  He/Him/His  They/Them/Theirs  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Are you between 15 and 17 years of age?  Yes  No Birthday (Day/Month/Year) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

I have volunteered at the Ontario Science Centre in the past:  Yes Year \_\_\_\_\_  No

Where did you hear about this volunteer opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to be a Recreational Programs Volunteer at the Ontario Science Centre?

Please describe any experience you have working with children and/or youth.

What special skills do you have that would make you an effective Recreational Programs Volunteer?

What does excellent customer service mean to you?

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An adult other than a family member should complete this form. Not sure who to ask? We suggest a teacher, guidance counsellor, coach, employer or supervisor from a previous volunteer role.

### The Ontario Science Centre asks for your assistance in providing a reference for:

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

The Ontario Science Centre is looking for enthusiastic youth volunteers between the ages of 15 and 17 with an interest in science and technology to contribute to our Summer Day Camp Program. We are looking for youth who work well with children 5 to 10 years of age, are responsible and reliable, and have strong communication and interpersonal skills.

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How long have you known the applicant, and in what capacity?

What would you consider the applicant's strengths? How has the applicant demonstrated these strengths?

Please describe the level of guidance and supervision the applicant requires to complete tasks.

What three words best describe the applicant?

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Please rate the applicant on the following qualities:

- **Collaboration skills**     Outstanding     Very Good     Fair     Poor
- **Communication skills**     Outstanding     Very Good     Fair     Poor
- **Reliability**     Outstanding     Very Good     Fair     Poor
- **Initiative**     Outstanding     Very Good     Fair     Poor
- **Respect for others**     Outstanding     Very Good     Fair     Poor

Do you have any reservations about recommending the applicant as a role model for younger children?

Would you recommend the applicant as a suitable volunteer for the Ontario Science Centre?

Please provide us with any other information that you feel may be useful in considering the applicant for a volunteer position at the Ontario Science Centre:

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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