



### **Background on program:**

Pfeifer Camp is an educational, residential camp for youth ages 8-14 that has received many local, national, and international awards, and was named a national Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Program. Our director was named as a Champion of Change by the White House in 2012. During the summer AmeriCorps Counselors live at the camp from Sunday evening through Friday afternoon each week, are responsible for up to 12 campers in a cabin, and lead them in all camp activities including teambuilding, social/emotional learning, gardening, cooperative games, arts and crafts, swimming, canoeing, service learning, and outdoor living skills. Training is provided in all areas including First Aid and CPR. Pfeifer Camp is unique in that all of its programs are free to participants. Pfeifer Camp is one of the few Arkansas camps certified by the American Camping Association and the only one licensed as a residential child-care facility through the Arkansas Department of Human Services. There are two summer positions. The 450-hour position begins May 9 and ends July 29 with a total living allowance/pay of \$4,000.02 plus an education award of \$1,678.57. The 300-hour position begins on June 5 and ends on July 29 with a total living allowance/pay of \$2,666.68 plus an education award of \$1,342.86. For more information about the camp, go to [www.pfeifercamp.com](http://www.pfeifercamp.com) or to Joseph Pfeifer Kiwanis Camp (official site) on Facebook.

### **Qualifications of AmeriCorps Camp Counselor:**

- The applicant must certify that he/she is a United States citizen, a United States National, or a lawful permanent resident alien, and at least 18 years of age.
- The applicant must pass an Arkansas State Police Criminal History Check, NSOPW (National Sex Offender Public Registry) check, and an FBI background check.
- If the applicant claims residency in another state, he/she must pass that state's criminal history check as well.
- Failure to disclose a prior conviction may be grounds for dismissal.

### **Duties of AmeriCorps Camp Counselor:**

- AmeriCorps members at Pfeifer Camp will be involved in numerous service opportunities.
- Serve as mentors living in the cabins with a group of campers and a co-counselor.
- Lead team-building and other camp activities.
- Receive training in the areas of First Aid/CPR, Reciprocal Teaching, Reality Therapy, Environmental Education, Team-building initiatives, and conflict resolution.

**Benefits of AmeriCorps Camp Counselor:**

- Education award (\$1,678.57 for 450-hour AmeriCorps members or \$1,342.86 for 300-hour members) upon successful completion of service
- Housing and most meals provided
- Living Allowance/Pay of \$4,000.02 for 450-hour AmeriCorps members or \$2,666.68 for 300-hour members
- Training and American Red Cross First Aid/CPR certification

**Terms:** Must live on site when campers are on site.