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Enchanted Parks, The Great Escape - Lifeguard

HOST INFORMATION

Company Description:

The Most Exciting Employer in the Adirondacks! The Great Escape Lodge is a true "escape" nestled in the pristine Adirondack Mountains.

We are located four hours north of New York City, at the largest state park. This is a remote and rustic location, perfect for the fun-loving nature and thrill-seeking enthusiast.

There is something for everyone and a job for anyone. With so much to offer in terms of job opportunities, you'll enjoy a new "escape" each and every day. Located at the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains in Warren County on the shores of Lake George, Queensbury was once a popular hunting and fishing area for the Iroquois. Today, Queensbury continues to offer a tremendous amount of recreation opportunities for people of all ages. Queensbury's spectacular scenery draws thousands of tourists each year! The many local lakes, like Glen Lake, offer easy access to water for swimming, canoeing and boating. In addition to wonderful recreation activities and fabulous scenery,

*Enchanted Parks purchased seven Six Flags Parks on April 6th, 2026. This included the Great Escape. This has been an exciting and welcomed change. Enchanted Parks was established with the vision of creating immersive destinations where every adventure becomes a lasting memory, every visit inspires tradition, and every moment is infused with a sense of magic. More information on Enchaned Parks can be found on thier company website, located here: https://www.enchantedparks.com/about/

Host Website: https://greatescaperesort.enchantedparks.com/

Site of Activity: Enchanted Parks, The Great Escape

Parent Account Name: Enchanted Parks

Host Address: 1172 Route 9 Queensbury , New York , 12804

Nearest Major City: Albany , New York , Over 50 miles away

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Job Description:

DESCRIPTION: Get wet, get paid! Splash into success as part of our amazing aquatics team this summer. Whether you're watching over the wave pool or loading slide tubes, you'll be on the frontline keeping our guests safe. Soak up amazing benefits and make money while getting your summer tan! Apply now and apply the sunscreen later.

What You Will Be Doing

• Keep a close eye on swimmers in the wave pool, lazy river, and many exciting water attractions
• Act as a first responder and jump in the water to keep guests safe
• Assist guests in and out of rafts and cycle through the line efficiently
• Calculate the proper dispatch interval between riders
• Provide guests with a safe and enjoyable ride experience
• Keep ride patios and midways clean and looking great

How You Will Do It
• Ability to work in an environment as fast-paced as our water slides
• Will complete and maintain Star Guard training and certification
• Understand basic rescue techniques, first aid, and CPR
• Strong attention to detail, not easily distracted, and commitment to safety
• Friendly, outgoing personality
• Positive attitude to make guests excited about their ride or swim
• Must react well in stressful and emergency situations

What You Will Need
• Must be able to swim 200 yards in 15 minutes, retrieve a 10-pound brick from the bottom of a pool, tread water for two minutes, and lift yourself out of the pool
• Excellent verbal communication skills
• Able to work a flexible schedule, including weekends and holidays and rain and extreme heat at times

Typical Schedule:

Schedule will vary depending on operating hours. Weekends are a must!

Seasonal changes to job duties or available hours: Yes

Outdoor and Indoor waterpark operation is weekends only in May & September.

Drug Test required: No

COMPENSATION

Hourly Wage: $17

Eligible for Tips: No

Estimated weekly wages including tips: $544

Bonus: No

* All figures above are pre-tax

Estimated average number of hours per week: 32

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Estimated maximum number of hours per week: 55

Potential fluctuation in hours per week:

We will have "buy outs" where our park will be open past standard operation. Weekends have extended hours in July & August.

Average number of hours per week reached by last year's seasonal employees: 35

Overtime Policy:

Yes, paid after 40 hours

Job-Specific Benefits:

FREE park tickets each month, discounts and free admission to various local attractions.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

English Level required:

★★★★☆☆ Intermediate

Required to be 21+: No

Previous Experience required: No

Qualifications & Conditions

Swimming

Description:

Lifeguards must be able to swim 200 meters in 15 minutes, retrieve a 4.5kg brick from the bottom of a pool, tread water for two minutes, and lift oneself out of the pool. Will complete and maintain Ellis and Associates training and certification.
Lifting

Lifting requirement: 25lbs/11kgs

Description:

In emergencies, you will need to be able to pull a victim out of the water.
Standing for entire shift

Handling cleaning chemicals

Working outdoors

Working under direct sunlight

Other qualifications or conditions

Description:

•All workers will perform physical activities that require moving one's whole body, such as lifting, balancing, climbing, and stooping or bending. These activities often also require considerable use of the arms and legs. •Lifeguards will be required to stand or walk for most of the daily shift. •Will be required to lift, push, pull, or carry objects up to 40 lbs on a repeated basis. •Most Lifeguards will work in an outdoor environment with exposure to a variety of weather conditions such as rain, cold temperatures, direct sunlight or high heat and humidity. •Some Lifeguards workers may work in an indoor environment that may or may not have air conditioning where they will be exposed to humid temperatures. •Lifeguards may be moved between various departments as needed

Job Training required: Yes

Length of job training:

40 hours

Hours per week during training period: 32

Different wage during training period: Yes

Training wage description:

Minimum wage until certified. ($16.00) *2027 minimum wags is still TBD

Start on specific day of the week: Yes

Friday

Training requirements:

None required, we will train and certify you.

Need to wear uniform: Yes

Uniform Policy:

Lifeguard t-shirt, shorts, swimsuit and optional hat. Students will be able to exchange dirty uniforms for a clean set in the wardrobe area. Sunglasses may be worn in outdoor jobs. Sunglasses that prevent guests from seeing eyes are not permitted. Student is required to bring or purchase comfortable shoes that can get wet. Crocks, tennis shoes, flip flops are acceptable.

Cost of uniform: $0

Uniform laundry: Provided at no cost

Dress Code: Yes

Description:

Company provided uniform. At all times, all team members are expected to be neatly groomed and dressed in a manner that is appropriate to the job and duties they are performing. - Visible tattoos may not be above the neck. Tattoos may not distract from the uniform or be perceived as vulgar, offensive, or inappropriate. - Piercings outside of one nose stud and two on each ear lobe is not permitted. - Bright neon colors are not permitted as this will be considered too extreme

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Types of Cultural Opportunities:

Will provide information about Events, Local Resources, Attractions/Sites, Local Community, Potlucks or Dinners, Company Parties, Holiday Events, Shopping Trips, Trips to Major City, Trips to Nearby/Major Attractions

Additional Details about Cultural Offerings:

The Great Escape will host activities and events for employees and cultural trips for Work & Travel.

In addition, every employee receives a "Reciprocal Pass" that gives free admission or discounts to various local attractions. and FREE tickets to enjoy the Park on your day off!

Local Cultural Offering:

Examples of trips the Great Escape has provided J1s include shopping trips to Albany, hiking trips, Lake George nights, and more!

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Housing Provided: Yes. Employer Guarantees employer - owned or employer - arranged housing to all hired participants. May find own (can choose alternative).

Employer-owned or employer-arranged housing description:

Students will live in one of 3 locations within walking distance to the Park and Lodge. Provided in the rooms are fridge, TV, bedding, microwave, bathroom, heat, air conditioning and WI-FI. Kitchen areas are equipped with stove, oven, sink, microwave and laundry ($2 per load).

Lease Agreement: Yes

Onsite Amenities:

WiFi: Yes

Description:

Password will be provided at move in.

Phone Service: Yes

Description:

Students will have wifi or are able to call over their cell phones. We recommend using WhatsApp.

Kitchen facilities: Yes

Description:

24/7 access

Laundry facilities: Yes

Description:

24/7 access onsite, Graycourt is open 7am - 9pm

Occupancy Requirements for Provided Housing:

Minimum Occupancy Per Room: 4

Maximum Occupancy Per Room: 6

Suggested Occupancy Per Room: 4 - 6

Rooming Arrangement Description:

If communicated prior to arrival, rooming requests can be made. Rooms are separated by male and female. Based on the timing, all requests may not be granted. We will do our best to accommodate you.

Provided Housing Cost:

Required to Pay for Provided Housing: Yes

Cost per Week: $120

Housing Cost Deducted from Paychecks: No

Description:

Rent is payroll deducted. If moving in before your first paycheck, any outstanding days can be paid on the app or in HR. $200 deposit is due upon arrival. Weekly rent covers Monday - Sunday.

Utilities Costs: No

Housing Deposit: Yes

Cost: $200

Description:

Deposit due upon arrival or by first day.

Housing Deposit Refundable: Yes

Conditions for Deposit Refund:

Refunded as long as you work until the agreed upon end date, remain in good standing with no major employment issues, housing unit left in good condition, keys returned.

Details About Deposit Refund:

Included in the following paycheck upon check out. EX: Every Friday is payday. If the student checks out on a Tuesday, the deposit will be retuned the week after.

Transportation to Worksite:

Walking Commute Time
Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Description: Across the street from the Lodge.

Biking
Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Bicycles are provided free of charge: No

Bicycles are not provided: Yes

Bicycles are available to rent: No

Estimated cost: $

Description: Rentals are available in the community for $100

Employer-Provided Transportation
Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Employer-Provided Transportation is free of charge

Description: Our Housing Supervisor will provide scheduled trips to the store, attractions, etc.

Local Bus, Subway or Train
Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Estimated cost: $2

Total: No Per Day: Yes

Description: There is a bus & trolley that stop right outside the housing location. Times vary on weekday and weekends. More information can be found here: https://www.cdta.org/

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Instructions:

Hi Students!

We are so excited for you to join us for the 2027 Summer Season at Great Escape Resort! As we prepare for your arrival this Summer, here are some things you'll want to know:

Arrival:

- Albany, NY (ALB) is the closest airport to the Great Escape.
    - LYFT works best at the ALB airport and is the cheapest and most reliable. You can schedule a ride 1-2 days in advance. Download the LYFT app in advance, you will need a credit card to use the ride share.
    - Taxi: 518-316-5700, https://queensburyairporttaxi.albanyairport.taxi/ This open can cost twice as much as a LYFT – that's why you should be prepared and plan ahead! It can be difficult getting a ride from Albany when you land, it's a small airport and can take hours if you don't arrange a ride in advance. If you choose to wait until you land, be prepared to stay at the airport overnight.
- New York City is 4 hours away. If you choose to fly into NYC you'll need to take a train or bus to get to Glens Falls and then a taxi to get to HR.
    - Train: https://www.amtrak.com/home.html
        - New York to ALB, GFS or FED.
            - GFS is the closest to Queensbury.
                - Then take a LYFT, UBER or Taxi to HR
    - Bus: https://www.greyhound.com/AC
        - From New York, NY to Glens Falls, NY
            - Then take a LYFT, UBER or Taxi to HR

Once you're in Queensbury, you will all come directly to Human Resources (HR) located at 33 Round Pond Road, Queensbury, NY 12804 so we can check you into your housing location.

- Contact our Housing Supervisor, when you've landed in the US and on your way to HR so he can check you into your room. His number is 518-232-1540.
- **Please note:** You cannot arrive more than **3** days before your start date. or stay past **3** days after your end date.

Housing:

What's provided in housing:

- Bedding (1 pillow, bottom sheet, top sheet & comforter)
- Refrigerator
- Armoire or closet (space is limited). I recommend sticking to 1 checked bag and 1 carry on max.
- Kitchen – equipped with stove, microwave and laundry
- Toilet paper, dish soap, mops, brooms, trash bags

NOT included:

- Towels
- Rugs
- Cookware/Dishware/Utensils
- Hair dryer

What to Bring:

- Passport, VISA, DS 2019 Form
- Lodge Employees - Black pants

- Park Employees: Khaki pants/Shorts
- Jeans, leggings, sweatpants are not permitted.
- Shirts are provided.
- Non-slip, closed toed shoes
- Lifeguards: water shoes
- Personal lock
    - We have lockers in the Lodge & Park to store personal belongings while you're at work. To keep them secure, you'll want to bring a lock and take your belongings with you after the end of each shift daily.

As you make appointments at the embassy and book your flights, please keep us posted so you have the best arrival experience, epge-housing@enchantedparks.com.

If you'd like to room with someone, please let us know. Please note, we do not room couples together, the rooms are assigned by male & female.

In the meantime, check out our Team Member Website! https://www.mysfger.com/ (Password: TSO) .There is lots of information about our property, departments, benefits, Work & Travel program, & more!

Please reach out with any questions! We are looking forward to meeting you soon.

Suggested Arrival Airport:

Albany International Airport, ALB, Over 50 miles

Estimated cost of transportation to worksite from suggested airports: $75 to $100

If arriving after regular hours:

Suggested After-Hours Accommodation:

Baymont by Wyndham/Latham Albany Airport
20 Airport Park Blvd
Latham , New York 12110
https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/baymont/latham-new-york/baymont-latham-albany-airport/overview?CID=LC:BU::GGL:RIO:National:45112&iata=00093796
(518) 724-0355
$100 to $150

Hilton Garden Inn Albany Airport
800 Albany Shaker Road
Latham , New York 12211
https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/albahgi-hilton-garden-inn-albany-airport/?SEO_id=GMB-AMER-GI-ALBAHGI&y_source=1_MjA4NTA0MS03MTUtbG9jYXRpb24ud2Vic2l0ZQ%3D%3D
$100 to $150

TRAINING AND ONBOARDING

Pre-Arrival Onboarding: Yes

Participants will receive an email from AppFolio to sign off on the Housing Agreement. Deposit can be paid online or in the HR office on the first day to avoid website fees. Rent is payroll deducted, any outstanding balance prior to the first or last paycheck can be paid in HR or online through the website.

Social Security Number:

Require participants to apply for SSN before arrival at worksite: No

Details about how to apply for Social Security Number:

We will arrange your Social Security appointments 1-2 weeks after your arrival (it cannot be processed before then). We will communicate your date and time and drive you to and from your appointment.

Nearest SSA Office: Queensbury , New York , Less than 10 miles

Other:

Wage Payment Schedule:

Pay weeks run Monday to Sunday and wages are paid weekly every Friday. SIM cards can be purchased in advance, or at Walmart after arrival. A US number is required to use online banking and using ride shares.

Meal Plan: Not available

Provide Certificates/Performance Evaluations: Yes

Hire in Groups: Yes

Maximum Group Size:

Grooming Requirements:

The personal appearance of our employees is a very important part of Enchanted Park's overall image. People from all over the world come to our family-friendly parks and they expect our employees to be approachable, well-groomed, and welcoming. "Extreme" looks like facial piercings (outside of a nose ring), facial or neck tattoos, or neon hair is not allowed.

Second Job Availability: No, unlikely

Applicable Company Policies:

Students may be asked to work in several different jobs during their job agreements due to varying business demands. Extra shifts/hours are only available based on business need. Picking up extra hours outside of your posted schedule requires supervisor approval.

Cell phones, sleeping on the job, altering time cards, drugs and alcohol are is strictly prohibited, and can cause immediate removal from position.

Additional rules & policies expected can be found on the Team Member Website:

mySFGER.com

Password: TSO

COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Walking Distance from Worksite:

Food Market, Post Office, Restaurants, Fitness Center, Internet Cafe, Outlet Mall

Walking Distance from Housing:

Food Market, Post Office, Restaurants, Fitness Center, Internet Cafe, Outlet Mall

In Town, Requires Transportation:

Shopping Mall, Bank, Public Library