



Volunteer Position Description

Water Safety Educator

The City of Woodburn is seeking an energetic high school student to promote water safety and the swim lesson programs at the Woodburn Aquatic Center. Drowning is the second leading cause of unintentional injury-related death among children ages 1 to 14 and the leading cause of unintentional injury-related death among children ages 1 to 4. In efforts to reduce the risk of drowning Water Safety Educators will encourage non-swimmers to sign up for swim lessons and educate families how to stay safe around water.

Duties: Attend Open Swim hours to instruct patrons of pool rules, water safety and how to properly use pool equipment. Instruct patrons how to appropriately choose and use lifejackets. Identify unsafe behavior and educated families on risk prevention. Identify non-swimmers and inform families of swim lesson programs and services. Work with lifeguards to ensure deck is clear of any safety hazards (i.e. toys, equipment, etc). Present at community events. Show young patrons that swimming is fun by dressing up as an event mascot. Water Safety Educator reports to the Aquatic Programs Supervisor.

Qualifications: All volunteers must complete a City of Woodburn Volunteer Application, background check (18yrs+), and orientation. Educators must be friendly, outgoing, active, dependable, and have a desire to help others. Spanish language is required.

Time Commitment: Weekly flexible hours for at least one season (i.e. summer, fall, etc.).

Compensation:

Students will gain valuable real life experience working for a government organization that they will be able to use on college and job applications. Hours spent at working for the City of Woodburn may also be used for Senior Projects and/or volunteer hours. Students who perform well may obtain a letter of recommendation or a reference from City staff.