Overview
The Marine Educator of the Guppy Ocean Adventure Camp must be a multi-talented individual with a strong desire to provide marine science instruction and ocean safety awareness to children ages 6-10. Applicant must have a passion for marine stewardship and teaching. Working as part of a team is important, and the applicant must provide leadership, guidance, and feedback to all staff. This position requires the candidate to work as a team with a fellow Marine Educator, Assistant Director, and a Director to teach and manage 14 students. It is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure all staff and students stay safe while having an awesome and life enriching experience.

Skills & Qualifications

Minimum Qualifications
- BA or BS in marine biology, environmental science/education related field (or working on)
- At least 18 years of age
- Must be in excellent physical condition
- Ability to pass a 500 yard open-ocean swim test
- Current certifications: ARC Lifeguarding, CPR for the Professional Rescuer, and First Aid
- Experience in marine science, education, and camp counselor related field
- Strong desire to change the world for the better through education and action!
- Willing to work long hours while maintaining energy and stamina
- No conflicting summer commitments including travel, work, or other leave of absence
- Strong communication, decision making, logistical, and organizational skills
- Able to pass a government background check
- Clean driving record
- Must be able to lift and carry items up to 45 pounds inside or outside during the heat of the summer and other adverse weather conditions.
- Cell phone

Desired Skills
- Wilderness First Aid Certification
- Broad knowledge of surfing fundamentals
- Familiarity with southeastern marine ecosystems and organisms
- Environmental education certification or teaching credential

Principal Responsibilities
During the summer months, we offer non-residential day camps for children ages 6 – 10. Working in collaboration with your Guppy Camp team members you will provide supervision, instruction, transportation, and ensure the safety of all campers. A particular focus of this program is providing campers with an ocean experience that encompasses boogie boarding, ocean safety, and marine science education. Activities primarily take place on Wrightsville Beach, but Guppy Camp does travel as far south as Kure Beach and as far north as Topsail Island.
The Guppy Camp Staff responsibilities are listed below but may not be limited to this list.

- Attend weekly meetings with Program Coordinator both prior to and at the end of camp
- Perform all prep work, including but not limited to: reading through camp binder and ensuring all supplies are ready and accessible
- Organize, develop and implement Guppy Camp curriculum to campers
- Present and direct educational activities on topics such as:
  - Boogie boarding
  - Ocean safety awareness
  - Sea turtle life histories
  - Pier fishing
  - Barrier island ecology
  - Salt marsh organisms
  - Fish identification
- Put students’ needs before your own
- Get to know each camper, and make them feel welcome, included, and accepted
- Coordinate activities and responsibilities with other team members
- Work with outfitters to organize and coordinate additional activities
- Follow proper Accident Protocol when necessary
- Safely transport students in clean 15 passenger vans
- Converse with parents before and after camp, answering their questions and concerns
- Be knowledgeable about WB Surf Camp as a company, as well as its diversity of programs
- Supervise and participate in all camp activities
- Assist with daily setup and breakdown responsibilities
- Serve as a positive role model for youth

**Compensation**

The salary for this position is paid weekly and is dependent on experience and education. Employee will also receive special team discounts on gear and apparel from WB Surf Camp sponsors.

**Position Duration**

Program runs weekly Monday – Friday, from 8 am – 5 pm, with weekends off. Candidates must attend the mandatory 4 day WB Surf Camp team training in early June.

**About Surf Camp Inc**

Surf Camp, Inc. designs and conducts a diversified mix of children and teen summer camps as well as adult travel adventure programs. The company’s surf instructor certification program represents the nation’s first and leading program for the rapidly growing surf instruction industry. Its brand symbolizes a long-standing commitment to technical instruction expertise and ocean safety awareness on the beach and in the water. The reputation of Surf Camp is based on a 16-year history of safe, educational, and exciting marine science, ocean safety and learn-to-surf programs.