

Marin County Outdoor School



Walker Creek Ranch

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CIT-COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING

Camp Soulajule (Soo-la-who-lay) at Walker Creek Ranch

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Assist camp counselors with the supervision of 10-14 campers, ages 8-12, at a residential arts and ecology camp. Assist naturalists and counselors during lessons, recreational activities, waterfront activities, evening programs and beach field trips. Provide guidance and leadership to insure safety and overall well being of campers. Assist with meal supervision, set-ups and clean-ups.

DESIRED CHARACTERISTICS AND QUALIFICATIONS:

Must be at least 16 years of age. Experience working with children and enjoy being outside. Recreational leadership skills such as canoeing and fishing; music, and theatrical and/or artistic abilities are also desirable.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Open until filled. Urged to apply by March 19, 2010

COMPENSATION:

The CIT is a volunteer opportunity. Volunteers will receive a \$500 stipend at the successful completion of the CIT commitment. Room and board will be provided Monday through Friday. CIT's will be coached by the Camp Director and will have many opportunities to expand their leadership skills.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT AND COMMUNITY CLASSROOM HOURS:

CIT's may qualify to receive up to 2 credits and 30 hours of community classroom credit per week in our Teaching Occupations Class taught by Camp Director Mike Grant. Please inquire for more information on this excellent academic opportunity.

DATES OF EMPLOYMENT: June 1 – 30, 2010 (weekdays only, July 5 off.)

A Program of the Marin County Office of Education
Mary Jane Burke, Marin County Superintendent of Schools

TO APPLY: Please download a CIT application from our website at www.walkercreekranch.org, complete it and submit it to:

Send your completed application to:

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ABOUT CAMP: (Session 1, July 6-9 ~ Session 2, July 19-23 ~ Session 3, July 26-20)
Camp Soulajule (Soo-la-whoo-lay) at Walker Creek Ranch is a 5-day residential arts and ecology summer program. Our mission is to educate children about the natural world through music, theater and nature crafts. The camp will also include traditional camp activities such as swimming, canoeing, archery, pottery, night hikes, sports and games, campfires, storytelling, and skits. Camp Soulajule provides just the right balance of fun and learning. There are three sessions of Camp

CAMP CHANCE: (July 12-16)

Camp Chance is a joint effort of the San Rafael Police Department and the Marin County Sheriff's Department to provide a positive outdoor experience to at-risk and low income youth of San Rafael. The program seeks to create and foster rapport between children and peace officers in a personal and relaxed setting as well as teach, mentor, and role model healthy minds, healthy emotions and healthy bodies. The Soulajule counselors, CIT's, and naturalists will be the staff for Camp Chance.

THE LOCATION:

Camp Soulajule at Walker Creek Ranch is located amongst the rolling hills of beautiful Marin County in a partially wooded valley created by a meandering creek. The site is approximately 50 miles north of San Francisco and 18 miles west of historical down town Petaluma. Our "outdoor classroom" includes bay woodlands, grasslands, coastal scrub chaparral, streams, a four-acre swimming pond, a low elements challenge course, an observatory and 20 miles of hiking trails. Limantour Beach is a short distance away and will be visited.

THE WEATHER:

The weather at Walker Creek Ranch can be variable. During the evening, coastal fog is typical and generally burns by off mid-morning the following day. Afternoons are warm with cooling coastal breezes.

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