



Carowinds a Cedar Fair Park - Food Service Associate

HOST INFORMATION

Company Description:

Located in Charlotte, North Carolina, Carowinds stands as the Carolinas' Premier Entertainment Destination. For over 50 years, families and friends have flocked to Carowinds for an AMAZING day the Carolina way. The state line separating North Carolina and South Carolina runs through the heart of the park, allowing guests and employees to travel between both states throughout the day! At Carowinds, you'll find nearly sixty world-class rides, the Carolinas' best waterpark, thrilling live entertainment shows, Camp Snoopy, and delicious down-home Carolina cuisine.

As a member of the Cedar Fair family, we are committed to making every day "the best day" for our guests. We offer flexible schedules, exclusive perks, seasonal incentives, free uniform polos, and a wide array of job positions, from ride operations, food service, aquatics to leadership roles. At Carowinds, we believe in respecting, valuing, and appreciating our associates, ensuring they have fun while working. By joining our team, you'll gain valuable work experience and create memories that will last a lifetime.

Host Website: <https://www.carowinds.com/>

Site of Activity: Carowinds a Cedar Fair Park

Parent Account Name: Cedar Fair Entertainment Company

Host Address: 14523 Carowinds Blvd Charlotte , North Carolina , 28273

Nearest Major City: Charlotte , North Carolina , Less than 10 miles away

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Job Description:

Handle food sales in a prompt, friendly, courteous manner using suggestive selling techniques. Ring up sales on a cash register, handle money, and count out correct change. May also be responsible for preparation of various food products according to prescribed recipes. May be required to seat guest, or run food to the dining room. Maintain a clean and orderly area including the preparation area, guest areas (tables, chairs, serving lines, condiment stands, etc.) and all equipment.

Must like to be around food. Will be required to use cleaning chemicals. Must have a great smile and like to be around people. You might work with a team or be at a food location by yourself. Must be comfortable with US currency. Must have the ability to learn menu items, portions, accompaniments, and prices.

Typical Schedule:

Rotating schedule based on business needs. Shifts include weekends and holidays.

Seasonal changes to job duties or available hours: Yes

Business may only operate on weekends in the spring and fall. Weekly hours may be different due to changes in the operating season.

Drug Test required: Yes

COMPENSATION

Hourly Wage: \$13

Eligible for Tips: No

Estimated weekly wages including tips: \$448

Bonus: No

** All figures above are pre-tax*

Estimated average number of hours per week: 35

Estimated minimum number of hours per week: 32

Estimated maximum number of hours per week: 45

Potential fluctuation in hours per week:

Hours may vary based on park attendance and weather (rain, extreme heat, etc.)

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

Overtime Policy:

Yes, paid after 45 hours

JOB REQUIREMENTS

English Level required:



Upper-Intermediate

Required to be 21+: No

Previous Experience required: No

Qualifications & Conditions

Lifting

Lifting requirement: 25lbs/11kgs

Description:

Constantly Required (66% or more of the time).

Standing for entire shift

Handling cleaning chemicals

Working outdoors

Working under direct sunlight

Other qualifications or conditions

Description:

This is a high guest contact position. Above average ability to speak and understand English is required. Students should be friendly and outgoing and have the ability to be pleasant and helpful to customers. May work alone or as part of a team. Jobs may be outdoors, in the sun or in shaded areas (some locations are air-conditioned, some are not). Temperatures in the Carolinas can be very hot and humid in the summer. Students will need to be able to stand for an entire shift. Other duties include maintaining cleanliness of location. Students must not have allergies to cleaning chemicals or direct sunlight.

Job Training required: Yes

Length of job training:

Two days

Hours per week during training period: 35

Different wage during training period: No

Start on specific day of the week: No

Training requirements:

Need to wear uniform: Yes

Uniform Policy:

First uniform is free for associates. You may purchase additional uniform items or park branded outerwear from the Wardrobe Department. Food Associates will need to purchase slip-resistant shoes.

Cost of uniform: \$0

Uniform laundry: Participant responsibility

Dress Code: Yes

Description:

Khaki shorts or pants, polo shirt, closed toed shoes.

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Types of Cultural Opportunities:

Company Parties, Holiday Events, Karaoke Nights or Talent Shows, Movie or Game Nights, Potlucks or Dinners, Shopping Trips, Sporting

Events, Trips to Major City, Trips to Nearby/Major Attractions, Will provide information about Events, Local Resources, Attractions/Sites, Local Community, Outdoor Activities, Trip to Washington D.C., Trip to Myrtle Beach

Additional Details about Cultural Offerings:

Get ready for an array of fantastic associate experiences designed to make your time with us unforgettable! From epic company parties and associate ride nights to splashy pool parties and festive holiday celebrations, there's always something exciting happening!

Local Cultural Offering:

Who's ready to explore CLT? Get ready for a range of adventures around Charlotte! Such as the Whitewater Center, Uptown CLT, TopGolf, and more! Don't forget your passports! We have exciting Bus trips planned to destinations like Washington, D.C., Myrtle Beach, and the Smoky Mountains in Tennessee!

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:

Carowinds Associate Housing offers one type of living arrangement: a traditional dormitory. Built in 2019, Burriss Hall: houses four (4) males or females with community restroom facilities located on each floor. Each room is furnished with 2 bunk bed(s), 4 individual dressers, and lockers for personal use. Rooms are also equipped with an In-wall air conditioning and heat unit, Wi-Fi, and a TV. You will need to provide their own bedding, linens, and kitchen/cooking utensils. These can be purchased at an affordable price at Walmart soon after arrival. Cornerstone Creek, our Associate Recreation Center is located directly in front of Burriss Hall. The A.R.C offers many amenities including a kitchen with four (4) full ranges and industrial microwaves, and entertainment options, such as big screen TVs, pool tables, table tennis, and Foosball. You can also check out board games such as chess, checkers, domino's, Uno, Monopoly, and many others. We also have other spaces including a Basketball, and sand Volleyball courts.

Lease Agreement: Yes

Onsite Amenities:

WiFi: Yes

Description:

Yes, Free Wi-Fi is provided throughout the dorms.

Phone Service: Yes

Description:

Landline phones to contact CIEE are available in both Associate Services and Associate Housing.

Kitchen facilities: Yes

Description:

The A.R.C offers many amenities including a kitchen with four (4) full ranges and industrial microwaves.

Laundry facilities: Yes

Description:

Washers and dryers are available inside Burriss Hall.

Occupancy Requirements for Provided Housing:

Minimum Occupancy Per Room: 2

Maximum Occupancy Per Room: 4

Suggested Occupancy Per Room: 2 - 4

Rooming Arrangement Description:

Floors are Co-Ed and rooms are same gender. Roommate requests can be made prior to moving in.

Provided Housing Cost:

Required to Pay for Provided Housing: Yes

Cost per Week: \$60

Housing Cost Deducted from Paychecks: Yes

Utilities Costs: No

Housing Deposit: Yes

Cost: \$100

Description:

Carowinds Associate Housing requires a \$100.00 housing deposit to be paid before a resident may check-in. For your convenience you may pay your housing deposit before your arrival with a credit or debit card via our Associate Life Portal.

Housing Deposit Refundable: Yes

Conditions for Deposit Refund:

Students must work until their last day listed on the Work Agreement. Leaving early for any reason will result in forfeit of the deposit. The Dormitory property and assigned room must be undamaged.

Details About Deposit Refund:

The deposit will be refunded after the completion of their work contract, and the student checks out of Housing.

Transportation to Worksite:

Walking Commute Time

Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Description: The dorms are an easy and short walk to the employee entrance of Carowinds

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Instructions:

We are so excited to welcome you to Carowinds! You are now a part of (or returning to) one of the most fantastic amusement parks in the United States. As you prepare for your arrival, please note you will be responsible for your own transportation to Charlotte, North Carolina.

The airport closest to Carowinds is Charlotte Douglas International Airport. Rarely will you be able to fly directly into Charlotte, NC (CLT). So, most likely you will have to fly into another US city and then take a connecting flight into Charlotte. Carowinds can only pick you up from the following locations: Charlotte Douglas International Airport, Charlotte Greyhound Bus Station, or Charlotte Amtrak Train Station.

*Scheduled Transportation is offered **every day from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM (EST)**. To plan a pick-up, you must contact us at least 3-Days in advance, so we can confirm your transportation before you leave your home country.*

Please schedule your Transportation here: *Schedule your Arrival Transportation [HERE!](#)*

If you cannot arrive during these hours, you must provide your own transportation to Carowinds. For example, taxis, or Uber at your own cost. Please know that Carowinds will not refund any expenses.

Suggested Arrival Airport:

Charlotte, CLT, Less than 10 miles

Estimated cost of transportation to worksite from suggested airports: \$25 to \$50

If arriving after regular hours:

Suggested After-Hours Accommodation:

Clarion Hotel
3695 Foothills Way
Fort Mill, South Carolina 29708
<https://www.choicehotels.com/south-carolina/fort-mill/clarion-hotels/sc443?source=gyxt>
803-548-2400
\$75 to \$100

TRAINING AND ONBOARDING

Pre-Arrival Onboarding: No

Social Security Number:

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

Details about how to apply for Social Security Number:

All participants entering the Work & Travel program for the first time should receive a social security card during their initial summer with us. At Carowinds, we arrange a Social Security appointment for participants prior to their arrival to ensure a smooth process. Upon their arrival at Carowinds, participants, are scheduled for Onboarding at the Employment Services Center by the Associate Housing team. During Onboarding participants will complete their Dayforce onboarding documents, receive their Carowinds ID card, and submit a social security application electronically through the SSA website on their first day of work. The Employment Team will schedule their Social Security Appointment and the Associate Housing team will provide transportation to the Social Security Office. Note: Participants who already possess a Social Security card for the United States should bring their physical card with them and have it ready during the onboarding process.

Nearest SSA Office: Rock Hill, South Carolina, Less than 25 miles

Other:

Wage Payment Schedule:

Carowinds pay all associates on a bi-weekly basis on Fridays via direct deposit or Physical check, or Paycard.

Meal Plan: Not available

Provide Certificates/Performance Evaluations: Yes

Hire in Groups: Yes

Maximum Group Size:

Grooming Requirements:

Visible tattoos must not display logos or images that are demeaning or profane. All face and neck tattoos must be covered up. Moderate sized earrings are acceptable, not excessive in number. Ear gauges in each ear lobe may not be larger than 12 mm. One small nose stud on one side of the nostril is permitted. Facial hair are acceptable between 1.3 - 5.08 cm. All other hair must be clean and groomed.

Company provides one set of uniform.

Second Job Availability: Yes, likely

Applicable Company Policies:

Carwinds is expected to be the primary employer. Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to a second job.

COMMUNITY AMENITIES

In Town, Requires Transportation:

Food Market, Shopping Mall, Post Office, Bank, Restaurants, Fitness Center, Internet Cafe, Public Library