WORK & TRAVEL USA

Dorney Park a Six Flags Park - Lifeguard (Late)

HOST INFORMATION

Company Description:

Dorney Park started in 1860 as a summer picnic resort, and has transformed over the years into one of largest amusement parks in the northeastern USA. Here are some of the perks of working at Dorney Park: Inexpensive housing at nearby college campus, 90 minutes away from major cities, like New York City, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, and a drive away to the ocean or mountains! We have a very diverse work force so it is a great way to improve your English while meeting people from many different cultures. Our associates get free admission to our park as well as other local amusement parks when not working. We host many employer organized activities and events throughout the season to create memories that will last a lifetime!

The park covers over 200 acres with nearly 100 rides and attractions. We have seven world class roller coasters and we are home to Wildwater Kingdom, one of the largest waterparks in the country.

Each year, Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom hires 2000 seasonal employees, mostly from surrounding communities. Dorney Park hires and trains employees who enjoy serving, helping and interacting with park guests. As a Six Flags park, we strive to make every day "the best day of the year" for the guests who visit. Dorney Park also knows the importance of respecting, valuing & appreciating our team members who work here.

Host Website: https://www.dorneypark.com

Site of Activity: Dorney Park a Six Flags Park

Parent Account Name: Six Flags Entertainment Corporation

Host Address: 3830 Dorney Park Road Allentown , Pennsylvania , 18104

Nearest Major City: Philadelphia , Pennsylvania , Over 50 miles away

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Job Description:

Lifeguards are responsible for the safety of guests in all the water attractions in Wildwater Kingdom. This includes enforcing ride/pool rules, giving information and answering questions, and watching the pool water and waterslides to ensure the safety of all park guests. In safety situations, the lifeguard may perform life-saving techniques, as trained and practiced in lifeguard certification training. This is a great job if you like to swim, be around water, be outdoors, and want to work in a team-centered environment.

Typical Schedule:

Dorney Park opens for weekends only in late May and operates the summer operation thru the end of August. Park hours vary. Dorney Park operates on weekends only in September.

Seasonal changes to job duties or available hours: Yes

Business operates on weekends only at beginning or end of season Weekly hours will be different due to changes in the operating season Job duties at beginning or end of season are different

Drug Test required: No

COMPENSATION

Hourly Wage: $13

Eligible for Tips: No

Estimated weekly wages including tips: $416

Bonus: No

* All figures above are pre-tax

Estimated average number of hours per week: 32

Estimated minimum number of hours per week: 28

Estimated maximum number of hours per week: 50

Potential fluctuation in hours per week:

Hours fluctuate based on park operating schedule, park attendance and weather conditions which may make the park close early or not open.

Average number of hours per week reached by last year's seasonal employees: 40

Overtime Policy:

No, exempt from paying overtime by law

Job-Specific Benefits:

Can come to the amusement park and water park on your days off. Reciprocal agreements with local businesses and other amusement parks. Associate Picnics and associate only Ride nights and events.

JOB REQUIREMENTS

English Level required:

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Required to be 21+: No

Previous Experience required: No

Qualifications & Conditions

Swimming

Description:

Must know how to swim prior to taking the lifeguard certification class. Associates must pass a lifeguard class, provided and paid for by the park. Lifeguard candidates will be required to pass a prerequisite swim of 50 to 200 yards, a 2-minute tread in the water without the use of your hands & picking up a brick or simulated guest from the bottom of a pool 6 to 7 feet in depth. Must also complete 4 hours of monthly in-service training classes to keep skills up to date and rescue ready.
Standing for entire shift

Handling cleaning chemicals

Working outdoors

Working under direct sunlight

Job Training required: Yes

Length of job training:

24 hours

Hours per week during training period: 24

Different wage during training period: Yes

Training wage description:

Yes. Participant will receive $13 while in training and they will get a higher wage when they pass lifeguard training.

Start on specific day of the week: No

Training requirements:

All candidates must successfully complete and pass park issued Ellis & Associates Lifeguard Training Program. Successful completion includes proficiency throughout the training program, and passing both a written and practical exam of lifeguard skills. Skills include BLS, CPR, First Aid, Water Rescue Techniques, Rapid Extrication and Spinal Injury Management, with test outs. Pre-requisites for all lifeguard candidates include the ability to exit the pool from any point without using stairs or ladder. Pre-requisites for Shallow Water candidates include swimming 50 yards without rest, treading water without use of hands for 1 minute without rest, and swimming a distance of 10 ft. underwater to retrieve a 10lb brick from bottom of pool. Pre-requisites for Deep Water candidates include swimming 200 yards without rest, treading water without use of hands for 2 minutes without rest, and retrieving a 10lb brick from the deepest bottom available of pool.

Need to wear uniform: Yes

Uniform Policy:

Uniforms need to be neat, clean and project an image that allows our park guests to feel immediately comfortable in our presence. Associates receive at time of arrival, 2 bathing suits, 2 swim shorts, 2 rash guard shirt, 1 hat and a water bottle. Optional items for purchase at park; wind suits and jackets, extra hats and water bottles.

Cost of uniform: $0

Uniform laundry: Participant responsibility

Dress Code: Yes

Description:

Cell phone and smart watch use is prohibited when working. Cell phones and other personal belongings are required to be secure in a park locker.

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Types of Cultural Opportunities:

Company Parties, Holiday Events, Movie or Game Nights, Shopping Trips, Trips to Major City, Trips to Nearby/Major Attractions

Additional Details about Cultural Offerings:

Allentown is filled with malls, sports teams, shops & restaurants. Allentown is conveniently located within a day's drive to Philadelphia, New York City & Boston. In addition, we offer various bus trips throughout the season to places like Washington DC & Niagara Falls and much more.

Local Cultural Offering:

As a Dorney Park associate, you can enjoy free admission to other local attactions; Hershey Park, Knoebel's Amusement Park, Kennywood, DelGrosso's, Great Wolf Lodge Water Park and many more so there is always something to do or see. Experience Musikfest and other local festivals.

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:

During your work and travel experience at Dorney Park, you will live at Cedar Crest College in a dormitory room. You will have one roommate the entire time you are in housing. You will receive a key and swipe card for your dormitory. All fees associated lost room keys, swipe cards and room admittance will be the responsibility of the student. There is a group kitchen, TV/ living area/lounge area, as well as bathrooms per floor. Free laundry in the building. All common areas are expected to remain clean and tidy. Dorney Park provides initial kitchen cookware, but associates provide individual storage containers and utensils. Team members are able to buy their own cookware if they would like. Team members are expected to clean up after themselves and clean their dishes and cooking area when they are done cooking. Team members are responsible for pillow and bedding in dormitory. You may bring, purchase or have something shipped to the park for your use. In early-August, you will be moved to a local hotel within driving distance of the park. You will share a room with a roommate, who you will share a bathroom, mini refrigerator and TV. The housing cost does not change when moved into the hotel.

Lease Agreement: Yes

Onsite Amenities:

WiFi: Yes

Description:

Instructions will be provided at check in.

Phone Service: Yes

Description:

You can contact CIEE via your cell phone, campus police building or at Dorney Park Human Resource office.

Kitchen facilities: Yes

Description:

When living in dormitory, there will be community kitchen areas. When living in local hotels, we provide locations where food locations are close by.

Laundry facilities: Yes

Description:

Laundry facilities are located in our housing facilities. These facilities are free in college dormitory and the hotel.

Occupancy Requirements for Provided Housing:

Minimum Occupancy Per Room: 2

Maximum Occupancy Per Room: 2

Suggested Occupancy Per Room: 2

Rooming Arrangement Description:

We will collect your rooming requests prior to your arrival. Buildings are co-ed but rooms/floors are gender specific.

Provided Housing Cost:

Required to Pay for Provided Housing: Yes

Cost per Week: $97.02

Housing Cost Deducted from Paychecks: Yes

Utilities Costs: No

Housing Deposit: No

Transportation to Worksite:

Walking Commute Time
Estimated commute time: 15 to 30 minutes

Description: We encourage associates to use our free transportation however some do walk from dormitory through a residential neighborhood to park entrance. Use caution when crossing roadways.

Employer-Provided Transportation
Estimated commute time: 30 to 45 minutes

Employer-Provided Transportation is free of charge

Description: Travel from dormitory is about 10 minutes. Travel from hotels can be up to 25 minutes.

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Instructions:

There are a few options for your travel to Allentown, Pennsylvania arriving in New York, Newark or Philadelphia. We suggest flying into one of the New York City airports which offer more flight options and is typically more affordable for students.

From NYC airports, you would take a shuttle bus to the Port Authority Bus Station. You will need to book a bus to either the Allentown Bus Station, or the Lehigh Valley Airport Bus Station. Once you arrive in Allentown, you can go to Cedar Crest College to check in at the campus security office.

Bus options:

Trans-bridge Lines: https://transbridgelines.com

Greyhound Bus Company: https://locations.greyhound.com

FlixBus: www.flixbus.com

We ask students provide their flight and bus information **at least 2 WEEKS prior to arrival** to the United States.

Room Check In:

Students can check into housing up to 48 hours prior to their start date.

Upon pickup, students should reach out to the Human Resource team to arrange a trip to Walmart.

Suggested Arrival Airport:

John F Kennedy International Airport, JFK, Over 50 miles

LaGuardia Airport, LGA, Over 50 miles

Newark Liberty International Airport, EWR, Over 50 miles

Estimated cost of transportation to worksite from suggested airports: $50 to $75

If arriving after regular hours:

Suggested After-Hours Accommodation:

Hi - New York City
891 Amsterdam Ave, West 103rd Street
New York City , New York 10025
http://hinewyork.org/
212-932-2300
$75 to $100

TRAINING AND ONBOARDING

Pre-Arrival Onboarding: Yes

Students will receive a notice of their onboarding documents, availability and uniform sizing. All onboarding paperwork will be done at the onboarding appointment, at Dorney Park and Wildwater Kingdom.

An onboarding appointment will be assigned to you prior to your arrival. Please make sure to bring your passport and DS-2019 to your onboarding appointment. You may not onboard before the start date of you DS-2019.

An additional link will be provided to register for housing with arrival and departure dates as well as roommate requests.

Dorney Park provides information to assist students via email prior to their arrival to the United States.

Social Security Number:

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

Details about how to apply for Social Security Number:

During your on-boarding appointment in Human Resources, we will assist you to complete your Social Security application and make copies of documentation required to submit with your application. We work closely with our local Social Security Office. Our team goes to the office every week, or every other week, to submit all the documents from our newly arrived students who have onboarded.

Nearest SSA Office: Allentown , Pennsylvania , Less than 10 miles

Other:

Wage Payment Schedule:

Dorney Park associates are scheduled Monday-Sunday and paid bi-weekly, every 2 weeks. Associates receive their pay electronically into their US bank account, pay card or paper check on every other Friday at our Associate Services Office.

Meal Plan: Not available

Provide Certificates/Performance Evaluations: Yes

Hire in Groups: Yes
Maximum Group Size:

Grooming Requirements:

Associates are expected to dress in a manner consistent with company values and must use good judgement in their personal appearance, grooming and hygiene. Tattoos are permitted as long as they are family friendly. Tattoos on face or neck must be covered with concealer and inappropriate tattoos would need to be covered when working. Piercings and gauges are also permitted as long as not distracting or located on the eye or face . Small nose piercings are permitted.

Second Job Availability: Yes, likely

Applicable Company Policies:

All Dorney Park positions are considered outdoor positions which are exposed to all weather conditions (sun, wind, rain, humidity and heat). We provide sun screen and hats and sell jackets and sweatshirts to protect team members from the weather.

Cell phone use is prohibited when working. Cell phones are expected to be stored in a secure park locker. Cell phones can be used when on an assigned lunch break in a non-guest area. Use on the midways, walking through the park is not allowed. Air pods are also not allowed to worn outside of a non-guest assigned break area.

Smoking in the United States is typically limited to designated or assigned areas. At Dorney Park, smoking is permitted either before or after your assigned shift or during your lunch break in a designated team member smoking area. While staying in housing, smoking policies are expected to followed in designated smoking areas and violations to the smoking policy could result in removal from housing program.

COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Walking Distance from Worksite:

Post Office

Walking Distance from Housing:

Food Market, Post Office, Bank, Restaurants, Fitness Center

In Town, Requires Transportation:

Shopping Mall, Internet Cafe, Public Library