



**ELACHEE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION**  
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your age group: (circle one) 12-15 16-18 19-25 26-29 30-39 40-49 50-60 61+  
Individual volunteers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

**SKILLS AND INTERESTS:**

Hobbies, Interests, Skills: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Education background: \_\_\_\_\_  
Previous volunteer experience: \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you ever supervised volunteers? \_\_\_\_\_

**AVAILABILITY:**

Prefer regular volunteer placement  
 Prefer to volunteer for special events on a periodic basis  
 Prefer to serve as a resource person in area of: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Am Flexible  Prefer weekends  Prefer weekdays  Prefer evenings  Other

**REFERENCES:**

How did you hear about us?

Referred by a friend/volunteer  Elachee newsletter  
 Newspaper  Elachee website  
 Radio  Internet  
 Walk-in inquiry  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

List personal references:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

(More on reverse side)

## ELACHEE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please rate your interest in the following volunteer opportunities from 1= very interested, 2 = might be of interest, 3 = not very interested (see descriptors listed below)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Naturalist       | <input type="checkbox"/> Visitor information/ Nature Shop Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Animal Care                | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Docent                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Building/Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Steward                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weed Warrior               | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardener                                   |

### Short term volunteer opportunities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Family Programs (see below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Preschool camp (summer) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising events (see below)     |  |

### Which age groups are you most comfortable with?

- PreKs    Grades K-5    Grades 6-8    Grades 9-12    Adults    Senior citizens

Why are you interested in volunteering at Elachee? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Volunteer Naturalist:** Elachee staff will train you to lead students on interpretive nature hikes on Elachee's trails. No previous experience is necessary - just a love of nature and a desire to share it with children. Please specify preferred age group. Volunteers are generally needed once a week to once a month, weekday mornings, 2-4 hours each time. Nine-hour training session held each spring and fall.

**Visitor Information/ Nature Shop Assistant:** Greet and orient visitors to the center and handle sales in the Nature Shop. Generally once a week, weekdays, 4 hours per shift.

**Animal Care:** Assist with feeding and cleaning quarters for our collection of live amphibians, reptiles, and insects. Generally once a week, weekdays, 2-3 hours each time. Minimum age of 18 years old.

**Museum Docent:** Greet and work with visitors during museum hours and special exhibitions.

**Trail Building/Maintenance:** Assist in trail building and maintenance on a regular basis or on our trail clean-up days. Great for groups!

**Trail Stewards:** Hike the trails each week on your own schedule providing information to visitors, monitoring/maintaining trails and collecting data.

**Weed Warriors:** Help eliminate invasive species of plants from the Preserve. Great for groups.

**Gardener:** Help maintain the natural gardens surrounding the Center.

**Public Family Programs:** Assist with events geared toward natural history topics. Help with setup, activities, kid's crafts, refreshments, etc. Earth Day (Spring); Snake Day, NightFall (Fall); Winter in the Woods (Winter).

**Preschool Camp:** Assist preschool summer camp counselor with educational activities. Weekday mornings for a week at a time during the summer.

### **Fundraising Events:**

**Safari Benefit Auction:** Fall. Casual dinner and auction. Help decorate, setup event & auction, etc.

**Flights of Fancy:** Spring. Auction of bird houses and unique yard art. Decorations, setup, etc.

**Plant Sale:** Spring and Fall. Assist with plant delivery and customer pickup of plants.

*Thank-you for your interest in Elachee Nature Science Center. We'll be in touch with you soon to discuss volunteer placement! Applicants for volunteer positions at Elachee may be required to undergo background checks and certain positions may require drug screening.*