



**CHRISTODORA  
MANICE EDUCATION CENTER  
2010 Wilderness Program Positions  
Currently Filled Accepting Applications for File**



**Organization Description:** [www.christodora.org](http://www.christodora.org)

*Founded over a century ago, Christodora/The Manice Education Center is a non-sectarian, nonprofit organization devoted to giving New York City's inner-city children a first hand experience and appreciation of nature. The Manice Education Center (MEC) is located at our beautiful 85 acre remotely located field site surrounded by 14,000+ acres of state parks, forests, and ponds in the mountains of the Northern Berkshires, near Williamstown, MA. MEC operates high-quality environmental education, wilderness excursion and leadership programs for up to 40 students, ages 12-18 in July and August with a student to staff ratio of 6:1.*

**Program/Position Description:**

***Wilderness Program Coordinator (2 positions):***

*Seasonal Full-Time Position from June 1 through August 29, 2010*

Wilderness Program Coordinator responsibilities include coordinating the wilderness education and expedition programs consisting of 3-4 night backpacking and canoeing trips in the Southern New England Region; developing safety and risk management plans for each off site expedition; working closely with the food service staff and trip staff to organize food and menus; coordinate and facilitate the effective and organized delivery of equipment and trip logistics for all wilderness trips including student and staff transport to trailheads, put-ins, and pull-outs; training staff in low impact camping, hiking, and canoeing techniques; supervising up to four alumni high school aged Wilderness Trip Assistants; and on call availability for trip response where required. Position starts on June 1, 2010 to scout, train, and prepare for successful wilderness adventure programming.

**Qualifications:**

- Quality backpacking and/or canoeing experience. Prior experience coordinating trip logistics for overnight backpacking and canoeing trips preferred. Experience working with youth. Efficient organizational skills needed. Current Wilderness First Aid/CPR or ability/commitment to obtain in agency provided training. Current Lifeguarding Certification preferred or ability/commitment to obtain in agency provided training. Driver's license and excellent driving record. Prior experience driving large passenger vans and trailers a plus. Must be 21 to apply. Background clearances and medical physical required. Initial drug screening may be required.

**Benefits:**

Starting at \$325/wk DOE, room/board, workers insurance, equipment discounts, & paid work related transportation and communications, & an opportunity to certify in professional trainings paid by Manice Education Center. *The opportunity to work and live in a supportive environment amidst a remote and pristine outdoor setting and becoming a member of an integral team of professionals providing mission driven dynamic and unique programming.*

**TO APPLY:** Send cover letter, resume and 3 references to Matthew Scholl, MEC Program Director: [manice@christodora.org](mailto:manice@christodora.org) or mail to Christodora, Manice Education Center, 68 Savoy Road, Florida, MA, 01247 Tel.: (413) 663-8463 Fax: (413) 663-5399.