



# FALL FAMILY FREE CHOICE

## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

This Fall, The Painted Turtle is proud to present **Camp at Home: Family Free Choice!** A full calendar of free choice activities inspired by some of our favorite camp programs, as well as a cabin chat series, is now available for campers to select whatever they want! Volunteers are needed to work in small teams of 3-6 to help design and run each free choice, with the support of TPT staff. This is a unique opportunity for volunteers to get creative and create fun and meaningful experiences for our campers, and as an added bonus if you have any special skills or talents, put them to use! This is a longer-term commitment, and you should be able to make every scheduled session of your free choice!

## FAQ's

**Can I volunteer at just one or two of the free choice times?** When applying for a role, you must commit to all the scheduled times. We may accept volunteers on a case-by-case basis as guests to run an activity or for additional coverage. Email any requests to [kylies@thepaintedturtle.org](mailto:kylies@thepaintedturtle.org).

**What is the time commitment?** You will volunteer about 2 hours, every other week. In Sept., volunteers must attend 1-2 planning meetings and a training, scheduled based on your availability.

**Do I need to have any specific skills to volunteer?** Special skills are cool additions to a free choice team but not necessary! As always, we're looking for responsible, committed, enthusiastic volunteers that care about our mission and our campers! We recommend applying for the free choice that you are most excited about and best fits your schedule. Please highlight any relevant skills in your application.

**Can I volunteer with more than one free choice?** Yes, if your schedule allows! If you are interested in doing more than one, please indicate your top choice. Please note that we anticipate the Cabin Chat needing far more volunteers than the others, as each cabin needs its own team of volunteers. So if you'd like to do two, we recommend one Free Choice and the Cabin Chat Series as the best combo!

**Are there any other volunteer opportunities this Fall?** We will have a few all-community events (like campfire) that you can attend to bring lots of camp spirit! We also anticipate having one-day events in need of volunteers in Nov/Dec. Please stay tuned for details on those! At this time, we are only accepting applications for Fall Free Choice and the all-camp events in Oct/Nov.

# FREE CHOICES \*all times in PST

## **Every Other Saturday (10/10, 10/24, 11/7)**

**8:30-10:30AM: Crafty Corner** - It's Arts & Crafts time! Lead campers in a variety of crafts they can do at home, from DIYs to drawing, to anything in between. It's all about encouraging the campers' creativity!

**10:30AM-12:30PM: Y/OUR Hour of PUN and Games** - Team up with PUN to run a program filled with fun games and magic tricks that campers can learn themselves! Be prepared to be silly and show campers a really fantastic time!

**12:30-2:30PM: Teen Lounge** - Campers aged 13-19 are invited to join in this time just for them. Lead your group in games and bonding, with some life skills and leadership fun built in!

**2:30-4:30PM: The Caregiver Club**- This one's for the caregivers! This will be a space for our incredible caregivers to do their own chatting, bonding, and activities!

## **Every Other Sunday (10/11, 10/25, 11/8)**

**10:30AM-12:30PM: Movin' and Groovin'** - Channel that energy and silliness with your campers and lead them in camp dance marathons as well as other movement and dancing along the way. Camp dance knowledge or yoga/exercise experience a plus!

**12:30-2:30PM: Music Mania** - Run activities all about making and appreciating music! Singing, instruments, and much more! Any music ability and/or knowledge a plus!

**2:30-4:30PM: Discovery** - Science, engineering, and cooking camp style! Lead campers in some exploring, conduct some experiments, create tasty recipes, and maybe make a few messes along the way. Any knowledge of science/cooking with kids a plus!

## **Every Other Wednesday (10/7, 10/21, 11/4, 11/18)**

**6:30-8:30PM: Cabin Chat Series** - Lead cabin chat with your assigned cabin of campers, along with fun games, icebreakers, and themed nights! Cabins are assigned for the length of the Fall, so you'll be facilitating some long-term cabin bonding! The cabin chat series has the highest need for volunteers, since there will be multiple cabins!

## **Every Other Thursday (10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/19) at 7PM**

BONUS! Actively participate and hype up our all-camp events (no planning meeting required, just a brief check-in directly before the event). We do need to know that you're interested in attending to add you to the list though!

**10/1** - Campfire    **10/15** - No Hands Dinner    **10/29** - Dance Party    **11/19** - Camp Closing