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EarthSong Lodge & Cabins - Lodge Employee

HOST INFORMATION

Company Description:

EarthSong Lodge & Cabins is a family-owned, 14-cabin seasonal lodge in Healy, Alaska, near Denali National Park. Our peaceful property on Stampede Road has mountain views and an on-site coffeehouse, Henry's Coffeehouse. Students work alongside the owners in a small hospitality team, with duties across guest services, coffeehouse service and cabin housekeeping. Summer brings long daylight hours, changeable weather and cool evenings; warm layers and rain gear are useful. The area offers hiking, wildlife viewing and opportunities to explore Denali during time off. Daily contact with our family, coworkers and guests offers opportunities to practice English and learn about rural Alaska while sharing students' own cultures. We provide free on-site housing with an individual bedroom and bed for each participant, utilities, Wi-Fi and laundry, with no housing deposit. One ride per week is provided for groceries and errands. Our quiet rural setting suits students who enjoy nature and working in a small team.

Host Website: https://earthsonglodge.com/

Site of Activity: EarthSong Lodge & Cabins

Parent Account Name: EarthSong Lodge & Cabins

Host Address: Mile 4 Stampede Road Healy , Alaska , 99743

Nearest Major City: Fairbanks , Alaska , Over 50 miles away

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Job Description:

Seasonal hospitality work at EarthSong Lodge & Cabins and Henry's Coffeehouse in Healy, Alaska. Employees may rotate among housekeeping, laundry, guest services, and coffeehouse duties, subject to CIEE approval and training. Housekeeping includes cleaning cabins and bathrooms, making beds, washing and folding linens, and restocking supplies. Coffeehouse duties include preparing coffee and simple breakfast foods, taking orders and payments, washing dishes, cleaning tables and floors, and monitoring supplies. Guest services include greeting guests and assisting with routine questions and check-in/check-out tasks. Free on-site housing is provided. Scheduling preference: Employees arriving earlier may finish earlier; employees arriving later are preferably available to stay later within the September 1–20 end-date range. Start dates are May 12–June 1, 2027. This is a preference, not a fixed minimum number of weeks.

Typical Schedule:

Shifts vary by assignment and guest needs. Coffeehouse shifts are approximately 6:30–10:30 a.m.; additional housekeeping and guest-service work is scheduled separately.

Drug Test required: No

COMPENSATION

Hourly Wage: $17

Eligible for Tips: Yes

Housekeeping employees typically receive $20–$100 in voluntary guest tips per week. Tips vary and are not guaranteed.

Estimated weekly wages including tips: $706

Bonus: No

* All figures above are pre-tax

Estimated average number of hours per week: 38

Estimated minimum number of hours per week: 35

Estimated maximum number of hours per week: 40

Potential fluctuation in hours per week:

Hours are expected to remain steady at approximately 35–40 per week throughout the season, including the beginning and end.

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

Overtime Policy:

Yes, paid after 40 hours

JOB REQUIREMENTS

English Level required:

★★★★☆☆ Intermediate

Required to be 21+: No

Previous Experience required: No

Qualifications & Conditions

Lifting

Lifting requirement: 50lbs/22kgs

Description:

Employees must be able to lift up to 50 pounds while performing assigned lodge duties.

Job Training required: Yes

Length of job training:

1–2 days

Hours per week during training period: 38

Different wage during training period: No

Start on specific day of the week: No

Training requirements:

On-the-job training lasts 1–2 days and begins upon arrival. Training is paid at the regular hourly wage. The regular weekly schedule remains 35–40 hours, including the training days.

Need to wear uniform: Yes

Uniform Policy:

One work T-shirt is provided free of charge. Additional T-shirts are optional and available for purchase at $20 each. Employees wash their shirts using the provided laundry facilities.

Cost of uniform: $0

Uniform laundry: Participant responsibility

Dress Code: Yes

Description:

Business casual clothing with closed-toe shoes. Employer-provided T-shirts are worn as the work uniform.

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Types of Cultural Opportunities:

Shopping Trips, Will provide information about Events, Local Resources, Attractions/Sites, Local Community, Trips to Nearby/Major Attractions

Additional Details about Cultural Offerings:

We provide one ride per week for groceries and errands, giving participants opportunities to explore the local community and experience everyday life in rural Alaska.

We also provide 1 activity for a dog sled kennel tundra walk!

HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Housing Provided: Yes. Employer Guarantees employer - owned or employer - arranged housing to all hired participants. Required to stay.

Employer-owned or employer-arranged housing description:

Employer-owned housing is onsite at EarthSong Lodge & Cabins, Mile 4 Stampede Road, Healy, AK 99743. Three housing options accommodate four participants total: a two-bedroom, one-bathroom apartment above the

coffeehouse (one individual bed in each bedroom); a separate one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartment (one individual bed); and a one-bedroom cabin at the back of the property (one individual bed). The cabin has running water but no sewer connection; its resident has a private bathroom with a shower in a separate building and access to a nearby outhouse. Both apartments also have showers. Housing, utilities, Wi-Fi, and laundry are free. No housing deposit is required. The employer provides one ride per week for groceries and errands.

Lease Agreement: No

Onsite Amenities:

WiFi: Yes

Description:

Free onsite Wi-Fi is provided.

Phone Service: Yes

Description:

Reliable cellular service is available. Participants can also access the landline in the owners' onsite home if needed, including for emergencies or contacting CIEE.

Kitchen facilities: Yes

Description:

Each housing option has a refrigerator, microwave, toaster oven and coffee pot. The cabin also has its own stove.

Laundry facilities: Yes

Description:

Free onsite laundry is provided.

Occupancy Requirements for Provided Housing:

Minimum Occupancy Per Room: 1

Maximum Occupancy Per Room: 1

Suggested Occupancy Per Room: 1

Rooming Arrangement Description:

Four participants total, one individual bed and one participant per bedroom: two private bedrooms above the coffeehouse, one in the separate apartment, and one in the cabin.

Provided Housing Cost:

Required to Pay for Provided Housing: No

Utilities Costs: No

Housing Deposit: No

Transportation to Worksite:

Walking Commute Time
Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Description: All housing is onsite at EarthSong Lodge & Cabins; participants walk within the property to work.

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Instructions:

EarthSong Lodge & Cabins provides free pickup from the Denali National Park train depot. Participants are responsible for purchasing and paying for their own train tickets and arranging transportation to the train departure station. Please coordinate your planned arrival date and train arrival time with Mike Pinsky before booking, and send your travel details to earthsonglodge.mike@gmail.com. Pickup will be arranged for your confirmed train arrival. We provide transportation from the Denali depot to your on-site housing at EarthSong Lodge, Mile 4 Stampede Road, Healy, Alaska. One ride per week is provided for groceries and errands. If your plans change or you miss the arranged pickup, contact us promptly to coordinate a revised arrival.

Suggested Arrival Airport:

fairbanks, FAI, Over 50 miles

anchorage, ANC, Over 50 miles

Estimated cost of transportation to worksite from suggested airports: $150 to $200

If arriving after regular hours:

Suggested After-Hours Accommodation:

Mike Pinsky
Mile 4 stampede rd
Healy , Alaska 99743
earthsonglodge.com
9076730217
$0 to $25

TRAINING AND ONBOARDING

Pre-Arrival Onboarding: No

Social Security Number:

Require participants to apply for SSN before arrival at worksite: Yes

Details about how to apply for Social Security Number:

101 12th ave, rm 138 fairbanks alaska 99701

Nearest SSA Office: fairbanks , Alaska , Over 50 miles

Other:

Wage Payment Schedule:

weekly direct deposit

Meal Plan: Not available

Provide Certificates/Performance Evaluations: Yes

Hire in Groups: Yes
Maximum Group Size:

Grooming Requirements:

business casual

Second Job Availability: Yes, likely

Applicable Company Policies:

no smoking

schedules available week prior

only use laundry for personal use after 4pm