



Port Discover: Junior Volunteer Program

What are Junior Volunteers?

Youth ages 13 to 17 are welcomed to join Port Discover as part of the Junior Volunteer Program. Junior Volunteers are trained on-site who will participate in center activities such as family tours, special programs, and group tours, as well as become exposed to the enrichment process that hands-on centers can offer the community.

Junior volunteering provides an enthusiastic experience through the exploration of science, development of leadership skills, effective time management, and public interaction while making a significant contribution to the community.

What does it take to be a Junior Volunteer?

All Junior Volunteers are required to attend an informal interview with the Education Director or Project Director. This allows for effective communication between the Junior Volunteer and the Port Discover administration to best place the youth an area of which they are interested.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- ❑ Port Discover has regular operating hours in which we are open to the public, Tuesday-Saturday from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. (613 E. Main Street Elizabeth City, NC 27909)
- ❑ Port Discover provides morning hours for reservations of group tours.
- ❑ Port Discover hosts Second Saturday Science programs on the second Saturday of each month. (September-May)
- ❑ Port Discover hosts summer camps each year.
- ❑ Port Discover is also involved with multiple community outreach activities such as:
 - Museum of the Albemarle's Day on the River (March)
 - Museum of the Albemarle's Christmas Event (December)
 - Elizabeth City State University's Spring Arts Festival (April)
 - Annual Harbor Nights (June-August)
 - Elizabeth City Police Departments' National Night Out (August)
 - Elizabeth City Parks and Recreation's Fun, Safety, and Education Day (September)

Would you like to get involved?

Selection is based upon application, parent or guardian permission, teacher recommendation, and an interview.

For more information or additional applications, please call 338-6117



**Junior Volunteer Program
Student Application**

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Grade: _____ Age: _____ Birth date: _____

1. Briefly describe why you would like to be a Junior Volunteer at Port Discover.

2. What would you like to learn from your experience at Port Discover?

3. List some special classes or extracurricular activities/hobbies that you feel would help us learn more about you.

Please sign below indicating that you have read and completed this application to participate in Port Discover's Junior Volunteer Program.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



**Junior Volunteer Program
Parent/Guardian Permission**

Applicant's Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Cell: _____ Wk: _____

Relationship to volunteer: _____

1. Contact in case of emergency other than name listed above:
Name: _____
Phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____
Relationship to volunteer: _____
2. Does the applicant have any allergies or other special medical or physical needs?
3. May we have permission to use photographs of your child to promote Port Discover?

Please sign below to indicate that you have read your child's Junior Volunteer Application and give your approval and support for your child to participate in Port Discover's Junior Volunteer Program.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____



**Junior Volunteer Program
Teacher Recommendation**

Applicants for Port Discover’s Junior Volunteer Program are students between the ages of 13 and 17. Junior Volunteers are trained on-site to participate in center activities such as family tours, special programs, and group tours, as well as become exposed to the enrichment process that hands-on centers can offer the community. Our goal is to create and enrich the desire in the student to explore science, develop leadership skills, time management skills, and public speaking skills while making a significant contribution to the community.

To be considered for the Junior Volunteer program each applicant must submit a recommendation from his or her teacher, counselor, etc. We appreciate your participation in this project. (Recommendations may be returned in a sealed envelope.)

Student’s Name: _____

Teacher’s Name: _____ phone: _____

Subject taught or relationship to student: _____

How long have you known the student? _____

Please rate the student on the following:

Study Skills

Above average Average Satisfactory Needs Work

Dependability

Above average Average Satisfactory Needs Work

Ability to work with others

Above average Average Satisfactory Needs Work

Speaking Skills

Above average Average Satisfactory Needs Work

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Feel free to write additional notes on the back of this form
For additional information call Wendy Pierce at 252-338-6117