



WORK & TRAVEL USA

Wilderness Resort - Housekeeper

HOST INFORMATION

Company Description:

Benefits of working at Wilderness Resort:

- Second jobs available within walking distance of housing
- Free use of the water parks and fitness centers
- Discount on all food and beverage outlet purchases
- 25% discount at the gift shops
- Discounted

Attractions voucher; employees are able to visit a lot of the Dells attractions for a discounted price or free admission!

- 4 hours by bus from Chicago, Illinois!
- Wilderness has over 100 J-1 students returning to work annually because they enjoyed it so much!!!

Wilderness Hotel and Golf Resort is America's Largest Waterpark resort located in the heart of the Wisconsin Dells!! We have 4 outdoor and 4 indoor waterparks totaling 250,000 square feet of family fun. When not working you have the opportunity to take advantage of the resort amenities and discounts as restaurants!!

The resort has approximately 1,200 units including standard hotel rooms, villas, condos and cabins. The Wilderness employs 700 Work and Travel participants annually. We hire students from all over the world, so you will have an opportunity to meet new friends and enjoy some new experiences.

About Wisconsin Dells:

- Wisconsin Dells, the Waterpark Capital of the World™
- Midwest's #1 Family Vacation Destination
- Safe, fun and small community
- Surrounded by natural beauty with rivers, lakes and forest
- Lots of entertainment and things to do: Movie theaters, shopping malls, dance clubs, casinos, camping, hiking and rock climbing

Host Website: <http://www.wildernessresort.com>

Site of Activity: Wilderness Resort

Parent Account Name: Wilderness Resort

Host Address: 511 East Adams Street Wisconsin Dells , Wisconsin , 53965

Nearest Major City: Madison , Wisconsin , Over 50 miles away

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Job Description:

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: this list of duties and responsibilities is not all inclusive and may be expanded to include other duties and responsibilities, as management may deem necessary from time to time.

Cleans guest rooms and guest areas, including: making beds; dusting and vacuuming; cleaning bathroom; replacing supplies; cleaning windows, mirrors, and patios.

Cleans guest suites in an allotted time period determined by management using the proper procedures and chemicals provided by management.

Empties wastebaskets, and empties and cleans ashtrays.

Utilizes chemicals according to directions and familiarizes self with all material safety data sheets.

Follows procedures concerning protection against blood borne pathogens.

Ensures rooms are completed and signed off on within appropriate time frame.

Practices safety procedures, including bending, lifting, and safe use of equipment.

Reports hazardous conditions in work area or equipment to Management.

Maintains a stocked, organized, and clean cart with sufficient supplies.

Completely clean out housekeeping cart and storage unit from all trash and organize carts/storage units.

Documents and secures lost and found items.

Communicates with guest in a professional and friendly manner.

Keeps supplies ready by restocking housekeeping cart at end of shift.

Upon discovering any damage to property, immediately fill out a maintenance request form and/or missing inventory form and submit to Manager.

Employees will work in groups of 2 - 4 and will be given 15 - 30 minutes to clean a designated area (depending on size). The more an employee excels at cleaning (cleaning well and in allotted amount of time) the more hours will become available to them should there be extra hours available.

One 15-20 minute break issued at 11am each shift. Employees are expected to bring food or snacks with them to work for break. Participants will not be permitted to return to housing for break.

Typical Schedule:

Schedules will fluctuate based on occupancy. Employees will start between 9am & 9:45am and finish work between 3pm & 5pm.

Drug Test required: No

COMPENSATION

Hourly Wage: \$15

Eligible for Tips: No

Estimated weekly wages including tips: \$525

Bonus: No

* All figures above are pre-tax

Estimated average number of hours per week: 35

Estimated minimum number of hours per week: 32

Estimated maximum number of hours per week: 45

Potential fluctuation in hours per week:

Average number of hours per week reached by last year's seasonal employees: 42

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: 75lbs/34kgs

Description:

Housekeepers will be required to walk or stand for long periods of time, they will work in teams to push or pull a linen cart (up to 100 lbs), lift up to 50 lbs. on a repeated basis. Housekeeping is a physically demanding job that requires a strong attention to detail.

Standing for entire shift

Handling cleaning chemicals

Other qualifications or conditions

Description:

Work indoors/outdoors, standing, walking, bending, lifting, physical activity. This is a very HIGH PACED job. Students who work slowly, will not be given many hours. Cannot be allergic to cleaning chemicals. •All housekeepers will perform physical activities that require moving one's whole body, such as lifting, balancing, climbing, and stooping or bending at the knee to clean. •Housekeepers are required to work in small spaces such as shower and toilet areas. •Employees must be able to work continuously in an indoor environment. •Employees may, on occasion, be exposed to outdoor elements such as rain, cold temperatures, or high heat and humidity. •Employees may be moved to other work areas as needed

Job Training required: Yes

*Length of job training:
on-the-job training*

Hours per week during training period: 28

Different wage during training period: No

Start on specific day of the week: No

Training requirements:

Need to wear uniform: Yes

Uniform Policy:

Housekeepers should bring black pants and comfortable neutral colored tennis shoes. Pants cannot be denim or leggings. Wilderness will provide a t-shirt free of charge.

Cost of uniform: \$0

Uniform laundry: Participant responsibility

Dress Code: Yes

Description:

See uniform requirements.

CULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES

Types of Cultural Opportunities:

Trips to Nearby/Major Attractions, Trips to Major City, Shopping Trips, Movie or Game Nights, Karaoke Nights or Talent Shows, Company Parties, Holiday Events, Sporting Events, Will provide information about Events, Local Resources, Attractions/Sites, Local Community, Community Orientation, Ice Skating, Valentine's Dance, Thankoween

Additional Details about Cultural Offerings:

In addition to monthly Wilderness organized events, the Wisconsin Dells J-1 Consortium Board is a group of local community members that work to make cultural events like dinners, information about bike safety, ice skating, and other community events available to all J-1 Students.

Local Cultural Offering:

Check out the Community Dells page at facebook.com/dellsj1s for great information about events happening in the community!

The VCB entertainment card allows any employee to enter one time FREE to any local attraction listed and includes local restaurant and shopping discounts (\$10 from Wilderness).

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:

Housing will be in offered at property on Wilderness Resort it is walking distance/bike riding distance of employment. Students will share the same housing buildings with mixed genders but rooming assignments will be one gender. Kitchen is a common area and students may need to go outside to access. Students will be provided with a blanket, and will be required to buy a bed in a bag for \$35. The set includes a sheet set, pillow, pillowcase, blanket, bath towel, wash cloth, face clothe, and laundry bag.

Lease Agreement: Yes

Onsite Amenities:

WiFi: Yes

Description:

Wilderness provides free WiFi, but abuse of the rules and illegal downloading may result in removal of access to WiFi.

Phone Service: Yes

Description:

Each floor has a landline phone. Students will download the Omnigo community app to contact Security when not near a phone. This app will be used for emergencies and general housing issues.

Kitchen facilities: Yes

Description:

The students will have access to a community kitchen, and each individual unit will have a refrigerator and microwave.

Laundry facilities: Yes

Description:

Laundry is located on the lower level of housing.

Occupancy Requirements for Provided Housing:

Minimum Occupancy Per Room: 3

Maximum Occupancy Per Room: 4

Suggested Occupancy Per Room: 3 - 4

Rooming Arrangement Description:

The housing is a dorm style.

Provided Housing Cost:

Required to Pay for Provided Housing: Yes

Cost per Week: \$95

Housing Cost Deducted from Paychecks: Yes

Utilities Costs: No

Housing Deposit: Yes

Cost: \$100

Description:

Total of \$440 due on arrival includes two weeks rent, \$100 Security Deposit and a \$150 Non-Refundable Administrative Fee

Housing Deposit Refundable: Yes

Conditions for Deposit Refund:

\$100 Security Deposit plus a \$150 Non-Refundable Administrative Fee. Security Deposit Refundable upon inspection of damage/condition of room. Housing dates are contingent upon employment and job agreement dates, no refund if work dates are not completed

Details About Deposit Refund:

Direct deposit to pay card or paycheck if participant lost pay card.

Transportation to Worksite:

Walking Commute Time

Estimated commute time: Under 15 minutes

Description: housing is located onsite

ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Arrival Instructions:

Please follow detailed arrival instructions on the webpage listed below:

<https://wildernessworktravel.wixsite.com/info/pre-arrival-information>

Transportation Options

There are several transportation options to get to Wisconsin Dells. Please review each option below to choose the best route for your travel plans. Wilderness does NOT provide any sort of transportation from the airports. All travel needs to be self-arranged prior to arriving in the United States. There will be a Wilderness representative available to check you in 7 days, 24 hours per day. Please be sure to check the list below to determine where you should report to check in. Our housing office is only staffed part of the time so you may need to check in at the hotel in order to have security assist you with the move in.

Mon – Fri Between 8am – 4pm: Please report directly to housing located at 501 East Adams Street

Mon – Fri Any time AFTER 4pm: Please report to the New Frontier Lobby at Wilderness Resort – 511 East Adams Street

Anytime Sat & Sun: Please report to the New Frontier Lobby at Wilderness Resort – 511 East Adams Street

If you are checking in at the New Frontier Lobby please provide the staff with your passport and they will contact security and assist you with checking into housing.

Please contact the companies below to make your arrangements at least 2 weeks in advance of your arrival.

Greyhound Bus

*Students can fly into Chicago O'Hare Airport and then take the Greyhound bus to WI Dells – IF you arrive into Chicago early enough. Otherwise you may need to stay overnight in Chicago. There is usually only 1-2 Greyhound buses per day from Chicago to WI Dells. The Greyhound station is located downtown and it's not safe to stay in the bus station overnight. *Greyhound bus drop-off is in Wisconsin Dells at the McDonalds near Walmart. From here you will need to contact a local taxi company to drop you off at the resort.*

Website: <https://www.greyhound.com/en/>

FlixBus

Flixbus is available for students traveling from Chicago or Milwaukee airport to Wisconsin Dells. The pick up in Chicago is downtown and in Milwaukee the pick-up is at the airport. Pick up times for Flixbus are typically early morning so please check the website for times and availability PRIOR to arriving in the US. Drop off in Wisconsin Dells will require you to taxi to Wilderness Resort.

Website: <https://www.flixbus.com/>

Amtrak Train

There is also the Amtrak train that you can catch from Chicago to Wisconsin Dells. Again, you need to fly into Chicago early enough to catch the train as there is usually only one Amtrak train per day to Wisconsin Dells from Chicago.

Website: <https://www.amtrak.com/home.html>

Suggested Arrival Airport:

Milwaukee Mitchell International, MKE, Over 50 miles

Chicago O'Hare, ORD, Over 50 miles

Estimated cost of transportation to worksite from suggested airports: \$50 to \$75

If arriving after regular hours:

Suggested After-Hours Accommodation:

Ramada Wisconsin Dells
1073 E Frontage Rd
Wisconsin Dells , Wisconsin 53965
www.wyndhamhotels.com
(608) 2542218
\$75 to \$100

TRAINING AND ONBOARDING

Pre-Arrival Onboarding: No

Social Security Number:

Require participants to apply for SSN before arrival at worksite: No

Details about how to apply for Social Security Number:

The Wilderness will arrange a taxi to take you to the Social Security Office, the cost of the taxi is USD \$12.

Nearest SSA Office: Portage , Wisconsin , Less than 25 miles

Other:

Wage Payment Schedule:

Paid bi-weekly via Rapid Paycard issued with or without SS #. Participants will need to request a personalized card to use for online/international purchases.

Meal Plan: Not available

Provide Certificates/Performance Evaluations: Yes

Hire in Groups: Yes

Maximum Group Size:

Grooming Requirements:

Clean and Neat, no body piercing visible.

Second Job Availability: Yes, likely

Applicable Company Policies:

Students are required to read, obey and sign the Wilderness Resort Employee Rules and Regulations for International Students. Lifeguards have the opportunity to make up to \$14.50 per hour after completing certification. All Lifeguards are charged a \$30 training manual fee along with a \$35 charge for the ARC Certificate. The course is free but any lifeguard/slide attendant staff that does not complete their Job Offer Agreement dates will have to be charged \$200 for the cost of the Lifeguard Certification course. No charge for course if job dates are completed as indicated

COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Walking Distance from Housing:

Post Office, Restaurants, Internet Cafe

In Town, Requires Transportation:

Food Market, Shopping Mall, Bank, Fitness Center, Public Library