



Hi there!

Thankyou for your inquiry about joining the voluntary staff team at Teen Ranch!

Teen Ranch is a non-denominational, not for profit, Christian camping organisation that seeks to “... introduce young people to Jesus Christ through an affordable, enjoyable, educational and safe camp experience provided by a community of caring, growing Christians.” It is our joy and privilege as Teen Ranch staff to be involved in a small part of what God is doing in the world. Whether you are already a follower of Jesus and committed to serving Him or if you are just starting to consider what He did and who He claimed to be, you are welcome here. Our hope is that whilst here at Teen Ranch you would get to know Him better and grow in your relationship with Him.

Whilst you are in Australia, we encourage you to see as much as you can of this beautiful country! You may wish to work here for several months and then move on, or you may wish to break up your time with us with some travel. All we need is a little notice of your plans for our rostering purposes. We do not offer paid employment to overseas voluntary staff but accommodation and meals are provided for free. There is an initial 3 week trial period before any longer term commitment is made.

There are two visa options you can choose from, depending on your other plans for your trip:
Tourist Visa. This entitles you to come to Australia with the primary purpose of your stay being to holiday. It allows you to do volunteer work within certain boundaries.
Working Holiday Visa (for citizens of eligible countries). This entitles 18-30 year olds to a 12 month stay in Australia combining travel with paid or unpaid work. You cannot work for a single employer for more than 6 months, but may work for several employers during the 12 month period.

You will need to read and/or complete the following:

1. Application Form (Voluntary Staff)
2. Staff Conduct Policy
3. Statement of Faith
4. Reference Form – Christian Leader
5. Reference Form – Employer/Teacher
6. Risk Warning/Medical Assistance Declaration
7. Recent police check from your country of residence

If you are over 18 years old and will be volunteering for more than 30 days here, you will also need to apply online for the new Working with Children Check (changed on June 15, 2013). This is free for volunteers and valid for 5 years. You will be able to do this when you have arrived in Australia and started volunteering at Teen Ranch. This check is not required for those under the age of 18 or those who will be volunteering here for less than 30 days.

Should you wish to apply, please post the attached forms to me as soon as possible and I will contact you with further details and information. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email me at staff@teenranch.com.au.

Look forward to talking with you soon!

Voluntary Staff Coordinator