



About Austin Sunshine Camps

Founded in 1928, [Austin Sunshine Camps](#) (ASC) provides FREE overnight camp for youth who qualify for free/reduced lunch or are in foster care. We believe in the power of summer camp, and we believe that your ability to go to camp shouldn't be determined by how much money your family makes.

Camp is held for four sessions of ten days and nine nights each. All eight year old campers will spend seven days and six nights at camp. Staff in eight-year-old cabins will still work the full ten-day camp session. Summer staff members live on site for the duration of each camp session. On the afternoon of day ten, after campers have departed, staff members participate in training and camp cleanup, and then have four days off before the next session starts.

ASC has two beautiful, unique camp locations:

- Located in the beautiful Turkey Bend Recreation Area in Marble Falls, [Lake Travis](#) (LT) offers a rustic setting for up to 55 campers each session, **ages 12-15**. Campers have the opportunity to swim in the lake, explore the hill country, play a variety of sports and games, experience our high ropes course and more.
 - Be sure to watch our [Lake Travis Camp video](#)
- [Zilker Lodge](#) provides an amazing urban oasis for up to 80 campers each session, **ages 8-11**. Campers have the opportunity to explore Zilker Park, canoe on Lady Bird Lake, hike on the Greenbelt, make a variety of crafts, experience our challenge course and more.
 - Be sure to watch our [Zilker Camp video](#)

Kitchen Assistant

(1 at each Camp location)

About the Role

At Austin Sunshine Camps our main focus is to provide our campers with an environment where they are able to safely grow, connect, and explore. We are looking for candidates who have experience in preparing large amounts of food, management of a budget and inventory, working with children from diverse backgrounds. We want candidates that know the best nutritional practices for youth have high energy, a positive attitude, and grit!

The primary role of the Kitchen Assistant will be to work with the Kitchen Manager to ensure an environment that accounts for the unique dietary and nutritional needs of each camper, staff member, and volunteer. Kitchen Assistants prepare and serve delicious and nutritious meals, three times a day, as well as snacks 2-3 times per day for 130 campers and staff. The Kitchen Assistant performs all washing and cleaning duties required in the kitchen. Kitchen Assistants work approximately nine hours per day.

The Kitchen Assistant helps the Kitchen Manager ensure that safety regulations are followed, helps with the preparation of food, helps monitor health standards of the kitchen, assists in the organization of all food items, in accordance with health code standards, and helps take inventory for food orders.

The Kitchen Assistant will work alongside the Kitchen Manager and Camp Directors to develop meal plans and accommodations for campers or staff with any specific dietary needs, in order to give them the ability to safely stay at and participate in camp, and will communicate those plans to parents, to counselors and to all relevant staff.

The Kitchen Assistant's job involves, but is not limited to:

- Food Management, Preparation and Service
 - Under the supervision of the Kitchen Manager, collect, store, and inventory food products and supplies in accordance with Health Code and American Camp Association standards
 - Prepare and serve food daily in accordance with health standards
 - Take initiative to stay up to date on best practices when it pertains to health in the camp industry
- Meal Accommodations
 - With the Kitchen Manager, account for any allergies or dietary restrictions while preparing meals and snacks

- Brief staff on dietary/nutritional plans made with certain campers around needed accommodations, modifications or other tools that will help them be successful during camp
- Cleaning and Sanitation
 - Removing the garbage, washing garbage cans, cleaning refrigerators, freezers, and storage rooms
 - Washing dishes after each meal with assistance from our Counselors in Training
- Camper and Staff interaction
 - Balance the responsibilities of authority, safety and fun when interacting with staff and with campers
- Administrative duties
 - Ensure adherence to ASC's Policies, health department, and American Camp Association standards
 - Keep regular inventory of food and supplies and assist the Kitchen Manager in managing the bi-weekly food ordering spreadsheets
- Other duties as assigned

Tentative Summer Start Date: May 25th Summer End Date: July 31st

We're Excited About You Because

- You believe in the mission of Austin Sunshine Camps, and you genuinely want to make a positive, lifelong impact on a young person's life, any of whom could be the next city council member or business owner in Austin
- You are 16 years old or older
- You have proven experience assisting in kitchens
- You have a Food Handler's License, or you can obtain one before training
- You have a sound knowledge of food health and safety regulations
- You have the ability to work well with others
- You are able to work in a fast-paced environment
- You have excellent organizational and time management skills
- You have effective communication skills
- You have the ability to pass a national criminal background check

You're Excited About Us Because

- Stipend of \$39.13-\$45.83/day, (~\$1,800-\$2,200 for full summer), pre-tax, plus all meals/snacks provided while camp is in session
- Free lodging (either at Zilker Lodge or our Lake Travis location), including 4 days off in between camp sessions; lodging during breaks provided only if over 18
- You want to have a memorable summer full of fun, memories, and personal and professional growth

Things To Know

- Grit, resilience and flexibility are absolutely essential for success in this position, and any summer camp position
- Summer camp hours are long, and situations can occur at any time, including the middle of the night
- You will have to work **hard** in this job - probably harder than any other job you will ever have, while balancing many different responsibilities and the needs of many staff members and campers - but if you persevere, you will make a lifelong impact on the lives of campers and staff

To apply, visit <https://ascstaff.campbrainstaff.com/>

We at ASC committed to creating a culture of inclusion and connection. We are able to grow and learn better together with a diverse community of families, campers, staff members, volunteers, and other stakeholders. The collective sum of the individual differences, life experiences, and knowledge we all bring makes us better as an organization. We respect and welcome the unique contributions that you bring in terms of education, opinions, culture, ethnicity, race, sex, gender identity and expression, nation of origin, age, languages spoken, veteran's status, color, religion, disability, sexual orientation and beliefs.