



DISCOVERY CORPS APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be 14 years of age prior to start date of volunteering
- Entering freshman, sophomore, junior or senior year of High School in fall of 2019
- All volunteers working in Discovery Camps, including teens, must complete and clear a background check

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete the Discovery Corps online application
- Write a Resume and Cover Letter
 - Cover letter should be addressed to the Perot Museum of Nature and Science Volunteer Services and briefly discuss the following topics:
 - Why do you want to be in Discovery Corps?
 - Why do you think you would be a good fit for Discovery Corps?
 - What attributes/experience do you bring that will make you an excellent Discovery Corps participant?
- Have a current teacher or reference complete the Teacher/Reference Approval Form
- Email a copy of your Resume, Cover Letter, and completed Teacher/Reference Approval Form to volunteers@perotmuseum.org **in a single email** with the subject line "Discovery Corps 2019 Application"

ACCEPTANCE PROCESS

- Complete application and submit Resume, Cover Letter, and Teacher/Reference Approval Form to volunteers@perotmuseum.org.

- The Perot Museum of Nature and Science will review applications and invite selected applicants to group interviews.
 - Complete applications prior to January 1, 2019 will be invited to group interviews in January and February.
 - Applicants from the early interviews may receive early acceptance and placement. This does not guarantee, but will increase your chance of placement in preferred week.
 - Application Deadline April 12th, 2019
 - Acceptance will be based upon remaining availability.
- Selected applicants will schedule themselves for group interviews and complete the Discovery Corps 2019 Schedule Form, which will be sent with invitation to interview.
- Volunteer Services will contact applicants in February and May with decisions on acceptance into program and schedule.
- Accepted applicants and parents/guardians will complete an Acknowledgement Form and Parental Consent for Background Check Form by May 13th, 2019.
- Accepted applicants will be sent the background check to complete electronically.

DATES AND DEADLINES

Early Application: January 1st, 2019

Application Deadline: April 12th, 2019

Early Interviews: January – February

Remaining Interviews: March – April

June 10th – June 14th Discovery Corps Week 1

June 17th – June 21nd Discovery Corps Week 2

June 24th – June 28th Discovery Corps Week 3

July 8th – July 12th Discovery Corps Week 4

July 15th – July 19st Discovery Corps Week 5

July 22th – July 26th Discovery Corps Week 6

July 29th – August 2nd Discovery Corps Week 7

August 5th – August 9th Discovery Corps Week 8

CONTACT INFORMATION

For any questions or submitting any documents, please contact our Volunteer Services Team at VOLUNTEERS@PEROTMUSEUM.ORG



Camp Assistants

TEACHER/REFERENCE APPROVAL FORM

The Perot Museum of Nature and Science Discovery Corps Camp Assistant teen volunteer program exists to foster student interest in science, nature and technology by placing exceptional STEM minded teens in areas where they can interact with and teach Museum guests and camp children. Discovery Corps is open to teens entering 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade; they must be 14 years of age before they start volunteering.

Participants in Discovery Corps spend one week assisting the Perot Museum's Educational staff with science themed camps, design a group project that could be used by Museum staff or guest, and interact with guests in Museum exhibit halls. Discovery Corps participants should be highly interested in science and technology with a desire to help and educate others.

The Perot Museum of Nature and Science wants to ensure that we provide the best possible experience for our guests and camper children. We ask that you review the following statements and approve your student for this type of interaction. We also ask you fill out your contact information in case we need to reach out to you for more information.

For any questions, please contact the Perot Museum of Nature and Science Volunteer Services at volunteers@perotmuseum.org.

Student Applicant Name

Yes No

☐ ☐ Is this student in good academic standing?
If no, please explain for consideration: _____

☐ ☐ Does this student have any behavioral issues?
If yes, please explain for consideration: _____

Teacher/Reference Name

School/Organization Name and Teacher/Reference Title/Subject

Teacher/Reference Phone

Teacher/Reference Email