Position: Cafe Staff at Camp Cornelia
Location: Folkston, GA
Start Date: February 2026
Position Type: Hourly, non-exempt
Pay: Starting at $12.00/hour
Benefits: Life, dental, vision, and health insurance available to full-time staff

Who we are:

Okefenokee Adventures is a private, not-for-profit eco-adventure outfitter and tour operator located inside the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge. As the official concessionaire, we provide visitors with access to one of the most ecologically significant landscapes in the eastern United States.

The Okefenokee Swamp is the largest wilderness area in Georgia and the largest National Wildlife Refuge in the eastern U.S. Spanning nearly 700 square miles across south Georgia and north Florida, the "land of trembling earth" is the largest blackwater wetland in the country. Protected since 1937, the Okefenokee is designated a Wetland of International Importance, a National Natural Landmark, and is listed as a tentative UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is home to hundreds of plant species and a remarkable diversity of wildlife.

Camp Cornelia Café plays an important role in welcoming visitors and supporting their experience in this special place.

Summary of Position:

This is a non-exempt (hourly) position and based on seasonal needs. A Cafe Staff member is responsible for serving the public as a key member of Cafe Cornelia at the official concession of the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge.

Principal Accountabilities (Some on the job training)

1. Receive orders and prepare meals for café guests.
2. Carry orders to tables.
3. Clear and wipe down tables, wash dishes, sweep and mop floors to maintain general cleanliness of café and kitchen.
4. Work quickly and efficiently while accurately preparing customer orders according to standardized recipes and established food preparation procedures.
5. Maintain a clean, safe, orderly and sanitary environment by adhering to Charlton County health inspection requirements and ServSafe practices and standards. This includes properly maintaining equipment, storage, food preparation and serving areas.
6. Receive food items and/or supplies from vendors. Check for accuracy and condition of delivery and store items in appropriate locations.
7. Track food inventory and supplies. Record on appropriate charts when item stock is low so that vendor orders can be made.
8. Work with a diversity of individuals and as part of a team in a fast-paced environment.
9. Greet customers in a friendly, courteous and professional manner.
10. Maintain appropriate personal hygiene, cleanliness and neatness in personal appearance: hair tied back away from face and nails clean and trim.

Qualifications

1. Stand for long periods at a time over a hot stove and/or sandwich bar.
2. Step in and out of the walk-in refrigerator and walk-in freezer.
3. Kneel, crouch, reach and stoop.
4. Will occasionally, lift, carry, push or pull weights up to 30+ lbs.
5. Works well as a team member and with the public.

Professional Responsibility:

1. Participates in collegial activities designed to make the entire organization productive and positive.
2. Responsible for reading and adhering to the guidelines as established in the employment handbook.

To Apply

Please submit a brief letter outlining your interest, along with a summary of your work history and at least two professional references, to:

Eric Looft
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Website: https://okeswamp.org/employment/

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