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Camp  
Quest

## Beyond Belief Network Guides: Educating children with Camp Quest

[Camp Quest](#) is a summer camp program that combines traditional summer camp activities and educational activities that appeal to secular humanists, like critical thinking, ethics, philosophy, and science topics. Kids learn about astronomy, biology and evolution, and ecology and environmental science while doing fun activities like fossil hunts and science experiments. They also might learn about famous freethinkers and humanist heroes as well as world religions. Camp Quest does not indoctrinate children with a particular worldview, nonbelieving or otherwise. Instead, they give kids the tools they need to make their own decisions when the time comes.

In this guide, we'll cover ways that local atheist groups can help their local Camp Quest and educate children.

### Volunteer at camp

- All Camp Quest [locations](#) need [volunteers](#). The forms for every Camp can be found at [this link](#).
- To volunteer, you will need to explain why you're interested in being a counselor and the types of activities you'd like to oversee. You will also need to pass a background check and provide references, as well as acknowledge that you understand the Camp Quest policies.
- If two or more of your members volunteer for camp, you can count Camp Quest as a service event. Submit an [event report](#) after camp is over to tell us how it went!

### Carpool to camp

- One barrier to attending Camp is that the [nearest camp](#) might be several hours away. However, if your group were able to organize a carpool (e.g., rent a van and drive all of the campers and counselors from your area to and from camp), it would make more children able to attend.
- You can contact the nearest Camp Quest location to let them know that you can help carpool or you can organize it within your own community. Either way, you're helping send children to camp!