

**Summer Volunteer Opportunities for High School Students
Entering their Junior or Senior Year in the Fall of 2009**

TANOSHII

Fun Camp Counselors

What is TANOSHII ?

TANOSHII means “fun” and that is what we will have. TANOSHII is a weeklong day camp sponsored by the South Bay JAACL and the Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute (JCI). The camp will take place at the JCI from July 13 to July 17, 2009. Daily activities will be held at JCI with a one day field trip.

Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute (JCI)
1964 W. 162nd Street
Gardena, CA 90247

The goal of the camp is to spark interest in Japanese American culture and community through hands-on experiences and interaction with people in the community. Counselors get to work with and mentor a group of great campers and have fun throughout the week. It's a chance to serve and learn, and connect with the Japanese American community and heritage.

TANOSHII is open to any elementary school-aged student entering 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th grade. The activities will include a combination of cultural experience, game and a field trip. Cultural workshop may include Taiko, Martial Arts, Origami, Calligraphy, Obon Dancing, Japanese Language, Japanese Cooking, etc.

What are the Camp Counselors' Responsibilities ?

We are seeking high school students entering their junior or senior year in the fall of 2009 who will volunteer their time as camp counselors. Last year we realized the value and importance of the camp counselors. They were the key foundation of the camp. The basic responsibilities will be to facilitate the camp program by assisting in the presentation, preparation and execution of activities. Counselors will supervise as well as serve as mentors/models for the campers.

What are the hours ?

The total hours will be 45 hours. The program requires 10 hours of training prior to the event. On the week of the day camp, you will need to arrive at 8:30 AM and leave around 3:30 PM. The hours for the campers will be from 9:00 to 3:00 PM. There will be three training session which you must attend:

Saturday	May 16th	1:00 – 4:00 PM
Tuesday	June 30th	5:00 – 9:00 PM
Saturday	July 11th	1:00 – 4:00 PM

Do you want to volunteer ?

If you want to volunteer to be a camp counselor, please apply by filling-out the attached application and send it back to me by email or mail it to the JCI office. Deadline for applications will be April 17, 2009. We will start interviews with applicants on Saturday, April 25, 2009.

What if I have additional questions ?

Please contact the TANOSHII camp director, Ray Shibata by email at rshibata32@aol.com or call at (310) 376-6624 if you have any questions about the camp or camp counselor's expectations.