Transferable Skills

The Benefits for Volunteering with WISEST

By volunteering with WISEST you are empowering underrepresented groups to pursue, impact, and succeed in the STEM fields, and you gain transferable skills to help you in your professional life.

Conference Lab Leaders:

- Reviewing lab procedures
- Leading and presenting activities
- Risk management
- Leadership and self-confidence
- Ability to seek out and find information and answers
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Time management
- Interpersonal skills and conflict resolution
- Flexibility and dealing with change
- Mentorship
- Communication (e.g. To the WISEST staff, to your assistants, and making presentations for the students)
- Experience working with youth
- Public speaking
- Facilitation and workshop delivery
- Providing motivation and inspiration
- Organization and prioritization
- Curriculum planning (dependant)
- Ability to implement and follow through on plans

Conference Lab Assistants:

- Leadership and self-confidence
- Ability to seek out and find information and answers
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Risk management
- Time management
- Interpersonal skills and conflict resolution
- Mentorship
- Communication
- Experience working with youth
- Public speaking
- Organization and prioritization
Event Safety Coordinators:

- Ability to seek out and find information and answers
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Risk management
- Time management
- Interpersonal skills and conflict resolution
- Mentorship
- Communication
- Experience working with youth
- Organization and prioritization

Role Model and Networking Volunteers:

- Leadership and self-confidence
- Ability to seek out and find information and answers
- Time management
- Interpersonal skills and conflict resolution
- Mentorship
- Communication
- Experience working with youth
- Public speaking

Event Delegate Guides/Campus Ambassadors:

- Ability to seek out and find information and answers
- Risk management
- Time management
- Interpersonal skills and conflict resolution
- Mentorship
- Communication
- Providing motivation and inspiration
- Experience working with youth
- Public speaking
- Organization and prioritization
General Volunteers:

- Ability to seek out and find information and answers
- Time management
- Interpersonal skills and conflict resolution
- Communication
- Organization and prioritization
- Volunteer tracking (dependant)
- Hospitality (dependant)
- Experience working with youth
- Risk management

Based on these transferable skills, you will have gained the knowledge and experience that may be useful when applying for future jobs and volunteer positions relating to:

- Administration
- Human Resources
- Lab Technician and/or Lab Assistant
- Management and/or Office Assistant
- Public Relations
- Public Speaking
- Teaching
- STEM-related positions