

Calling Youth Environmental Leaders!

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is seeking youth environmental leaders, grades 10-12, to participate and serve as mentors in the Southwest Region's "Nature Quest" to be held at the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge in Southwest Oklahoma, June 23-29, 2009.



"Dare to Discover a Connection with Nature" is the theme for this outdoor summer nature adventure. The event seeks to connect children with nature by introducing them to the remarkable landscape and wildlife of the Wichita Mountains. Youth leaders, who are recognized as high achievers and have participated in environmental projects or programs are being sought to serve as mentors to sixty 5th grade students who will participate in Nature Quest. Interested and qualified applicants should have demonstrated experience working to support wildlife conservation or environmental protection, knowledge and understanding of natural resources, confidence communicating with diverse groups of people, and the ability to lead a group of up to ten fifth graders on an outdoor adventure. High school students from New Mexico, Arizona, Texas and Oklahoma are encouraged to apply.

All travel, meals and accommodations will be provided for youth leaders chosen to be mentors for Nature Quest.



Interested students should submit a resume to:

Nature Quest
Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge
32 Refuge Headquarters
Indiahoma, OK 73552

Resumes should include:

- 1) Student's name and contact information
- 2) Age and school grade
- 3) Description of experience
- 4) school name
- 5) Sponsoring teacher's name and contact
- 6) additional references (if available)

For more information about "Nature Quest," please call 580-429-3222.