



## **Marafiki Center**

Creating Cross-Cultural Connections

[www.marafikicenter.org](http://www.marafikicenter.org)

Job Title:	<b>Summer Swahili Teacher</b>
Status:	Independent Contractor
Start Date:	June 29, 2026
End Date:	August 5, 2026
Pay Rate:	\$20 per hour

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### **ABOUT US**

The mission of the Marafiki Center is to create opportunities for cross-cultural connection. We build a bridge of mutual understanding through education, events, and advocating for improved representation of the African and Swahili-speaking communities in Lexington. Marafiki Center was founded in 2019 and is a 501c3 nonprofit organization based in Lexington, Kentucky.

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### **ABOUT SUMMER SWAHILI CAMP**

Marafiki Center hosts an annual Summer Swahili Camp which is a four-week program of youth development and cultural enrichment for African children ages 6-17. The goal of the Summer Swahili Camp is to affirm African cultural identity within the next generation and reinforce the use of the Swahili language among our youth.

### **SUMMARY**

The Summer Swahili Teachers teach the Swahili language and facilitate a variety of Summer Camp activities. Teachers provide interactive and experiential Swahili lessons, work with volunteers, chaperone field trips, facilitate camp games, and support the social and emotional development of youth participants. Swahili Teachers report directly to the Program Manager, and indirectly to the Executive Director.

### **PRIMARY DUTIES**

- Provide Swahili language lessons based on a provided curriculum
- Set up the classroom environment with teaching aids and materials
- Facilitate outdoor activities and games during recess times
- Ensure children remain safe at all times
- Coordinate children during the pick-up and drop-off transportation routes
- Chaperone Friday field trips
- Chaperone Wednesday swim classes
- Collaborate with volunteers

**Required Schedule: Must be available ALL DAYS listed below:**

- Summer Camp Staff Orientation Week: June 29 - July 2 (Monday - Thursday, 10 am - 3 pm)
- Summer Camp Daily Schedule: July 6 - July 31 (Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm)
- Post-Camp Debrief Week: August 3 - 5 (Monday - Wednesday, 10 am - 3 pm)

**SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS**

- Must be a native Swahili speaker
- Experience working with children ages 6-17 years
- Passionate about sharing your African culture
- A background check is required

**COMPENSATION & PERKS**

- \$20 per hour
- Breakfast and lunch are provided every day during the camp for all staff.

**WORK ENVIRONMENT**

- This role requires teaching in a classroom setting in person in Lexington, KY.
- Teachers will attend Friday field trips which are typically outdoors during hot summer days and will be located at various sites across Kentucky. Field trips may include nature hikes, theme parks, or visiting a local community partner site.
- Teachers will provide supervision during Swim classes held off site on Wednesdays, but it is not required to swim or be in the water, as trained Swim Instructors will be present.