

Frequently Asked Questions about Service Opportunities at Pendle Hill

How do I become a volunteer at Pendle Hill?

We ask all volunteers to fill out an application stating areas of interest and availability to volunteer. Once we match your skills/interests with a project need, we will contact references and conduct a background check. We then ask you to come to campus for orientation and to meet with your project supervisor. After that, you and your supervisor will coordinate your time at Pendle Hill.

Can I volunteer in exchange for room and board at Pendle Hill?

We do not exchange volunteer services for room and board or program fees at Pendle Hill. If you volunteer at least three hours around a meal time, we invite you to join us for that meal at no charge.

Do I need to be Quaker?

No.

Can I volunteer if I am under the age of 18?

No. We require all volunteers to be 18 or older.

I had a background check done recently, can that count for my background check?

Due to the nature of our campus community, with both children and adults living on campus, we like to conduct our own background check for every volunteer. If you have had a background check within the last month, you are welcome to submit that with your application and we will take it into consideration. Pendle Hill reserves the right to require a background check. Application materials, including background checks, are kept confidential.

Once I've submitted my application, how soon can I begin volunteering?

It can often take up to two months to match volunteers with appropriate projects, secure background checks and contact references. We will work to communicate with you along the way and we appreciate your patience!

Please contact Melissa Bennett, 610-566-4507, ext. 121 or mbennett@pendlehill.org if you have any additional questions.