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## JOB DESCRIPTION

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### Employer Information

**Employer name:** Build a Bear Workshop - Myrtle Beach, SC  
**Type of business:** Stuffed Animal Building Retail Stores  
**Job location:** BuildaBear Workshop  
**City:** Myrtle Beach  
**State:** SC  
**Zip:** 29577  
**Website:** [www.buildabearville.com](http://www.buildabearville.com)

### Why choose us?

This job available only for students who have been on W&T before, have Social Security number, and have fluent English.

At Build-A-Bear Workshop®, our mission is to bring the Teddy Bear to life. An American icon, the Teddy Bear brings to mind warm thoughts about our childhood, about friendship, about trust and comfort, and also about love. Build-A-Bear Workshop embodies those thoughts in how we run our business everyday.

You will have constant interaction as well as extended conversations with customers and small children. For this reason your current English level is very important with this job and no exceptions to verbal English levels will be made. You must have advanced verbal English (9 out of 10 or higher) for this job.

This job is located in Myrtle Beach South Carolina a very popular family tourist area in the summer time. Second jobs are normally plentiful throughout the area. The store is located at the very popular Broad Way at the Beach section of the city.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO VISIT THE COMPANY WEBSITE ONLINE PRIOR TO INTERVIEWING FOR THIS JOB [www.buildabear.com](http://www.buildabear.com)

### Position

**Job title:** Bear Builder-June 6th

**Job description and required skills:** Greet & explain the process of building a bear. Give information on different choices of stuffed animals to choose. Give guest the option of adding a sound to their selection. Stuff the guest selections; explain the Find-a-Bear system & provide an age appropriate heart ceremony. Help guests blow off excess cotton before dressing. Aide guest in making decisions on clothing & accessories; help guest dress animals. Aide guest in using a computer to complete a series of questions to complete a birth certificate. Gather tags of selected items, pack up items in a carrying case to be taken home; stocking items sold on the floor, cleaning the entire store inside and out, sweeping, vacuuming, trash.

Fluent English; Must have a Social Security number; You will be assigned to work one of 2 shifts; opening shift 9:45am-4:15pm or closing shift 3:45pm-1am. You will not choice your shift the manager will chose it for you. You will be required to work the shift that you are assigned. Build a Bear shifts schedules must be your top priority at all times. You are required to work each weekend!

**English level required:** advanced

**Hourly wage (before taxes):** 7.50

**Position ID:** 17854



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<b>Tips:</b>	no
<b>Bonus:</b>	no
<b>Estimated hours per day:</b>	7
<b>Number of days per week:</b>	5
<b>Possibility of students getting more than estimated hours:</b>	average
<b>If so, is overtime paid at the rate of 1.5 hourly, after 40 hours of work per week?</b>	yes
<b>Earliest start date:</b>	06/06/2012
<b>Latest start date:</b>	06/06/2012
<b>Earliest end date:</b>	09/04/2012
<b>Latest end date:</b>	09/06/2012
<b>Is the employer willing to hire couples?</b>	no
<b>Is the employer willing to hire group of friends?</b>	yes
<b>Are meals included?</b>	no
<b>Is a drug test required?</b>	no
<b>Is Skype interview required?</b>	yes
<b>Do students complete an additional application upon arrival?</b>	yes
<b>Possibility to find a second job in the area</b>	yes
<b>Additional comments regarding second job:</b>	Students normally find second jobs very plentiful in the summer in this area. Please remember that your first priority is to Build A Bear and you may only work additional jobs around the schedule that they give you and set schedules are never guaranteed.
<b>How soon after arrival will participants begin working?</b>	Within 3 days of completing orientation.
<b>Specific instructions for arrival to employer:</b>	You must report to employer in uniform at 9am June 6th for orientation. You must bring your job offer, I-94 card, passport, J-1 Visa, and DS2019 form with you. This means that you need to arrive to Myrtle Beach no later than Sunday June 5th, go to CHI suggested housing or the housing of your choice. Do not arrive with your luggage to your employer. From airport/bus station go to your housing. Get settled in and then report to your employer during the times and days of the week listed above.
<b>Is training required?</b>	yes
<b>Conditions of training:</b>	Training is paid and length of that training varies on how quickly you learn your duties and are able to perform them at a satisfactory level.



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<b>Is there possibility to change positions?</b>	yes
<b>Are students required to wear a uniform?</b>	yes
<b>Does employer provide uniform?</b>	yes
<b>Is uniform refundable?</b>	no
<b>Do students need to purchase specific clothes or footwear?</b>	yes
<b>If so, details for clothing:</b>	Employer provides 2 shirts. Students must bring/purchase tan slacks or knee length shorts (no cargo, no jeans, no corduroy the fabric that the pants are made out of must be smooth no texture); white socks, white sneakers/tennis shoes (must be kept clean no large/bold logos just plain white shoes). Grooming: Must have a conservative appearance, natural colored hair, no bold nail polish colors, no visible tattoos, no facial/tongue piercings (girls are allowed to have one stud earring in each ear only), no long hair or facial hair for guys.
<b>Additional information:</b>	A large part of this job is speaking to young children and helping them to make their new friend, so you must have very strong English skills. You must love children and be patient and outgoing. You should plan on working every weekend and holidays.

## Housing Information

<b>City:</b>	Myrtle Beach
<b>Housing assisted by:</b>	CHI
<b>Is student required to sign a separate housing contract?</b>	yes
<b>If so, contract details:</b>	Students will sign a housing contract.
<b>Type of housing:</b>	Motel
<b>Number of people to a room:</b>	4
<b>Bedrooms:</b>	1
<b>Bath:</b>	1
<b>Estimated cost of housing per week:</b>	\$200-\$350 + tax per week per room**
<b>Is housing cost deducted from paycheck?</b>	no
<b>Is housing deposit required?</b>	yes
<b>Deposit amount:</b>	\$300-500per rm*
<b>Housing deposit due date:</b>	Arrival
<b>Instructions for deposit payment:</b>	Rent & Security Deposit are due at check in if one person or 4-6.
<b>Is housing deposit refundable?</b>	yes
<b>Conditions for deposit refund:</b>	Room must be cleaned to managers approval. No loud music or party allowed. If you are evicted for any reason, you will lose all money paid. No exceptions.
<b>Utilities included:</b>	yes
<b>If so, utilities details:</b>	Electric, water and gas
<b>Utilities estimated cost per month:</b>	Included



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<b>Is the housing mandatory?</b>	no
<b>Can students find alternative housing during their stay?</b>	yes
<b>Method of transportation from housing to work site:</b>	Must arrange own
<b>Transportation details:</b>	Work and housing are 5 miles apart. You will walk, ride a bicycle or take a taxi to work. Very limited public transportation.
<b>Additional housing features:</b>	Refrigerator/Microwave, pool, WiFi, balcony.
<b>Location of work site best described as:</b>	Ocean
<b>Location details:</b>	Myrtle Beach is a top domestic tourist destination for Americans. With nearly 14 million visitors a year, 60 miles of warm & sandy beaches, an active nightlife, good restaurants, shopping, fishing, swimming & more. Your work location is located 2 miles from the beach; you will not work on the beach itself.
<b>Average daily temperature:</b>	85-90 F, humid
<b>Community or regional website:</b>	<a href="http://www.mbchamber.com">www.mbchamber.com</a>
<b>Nearest cities:</b>	Charleston, SC & Wilmington, NC
<b>Distance to nearest cities:</b>	Charleston is 100 miles away
<b>What to wear:</b>	Summer clothes (NO Gstring or thong bikinis)
<b>Available public transportation:</b>	Limited
<b>Public transportation access:</b>	Limited
<b>Accessible amenities (by walking or public transportation):</b>	
<b>Food market:</b>	yes
<b>Shopping mall:</b>	yes
<b>Post office:</b>	yes
<b>Bank:</b>	yes
<b>Movie theater:</b>	yes
<b>Restaurants:</b>	yes
<b>Fitness center:</b>	yes
<b>Laundry:</b>	yes
<b>Internet café:</b>	no
<b>Public library:</b>	yes



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## *Suggested Travel Information*

<b>Nearest international airport:</b>	ILM (Wilmington, North Carolina) 75 miles
<b>Nearest airport:</b>	MYR (Myrtle Beach)
<b>Transportation from airport to employer and / or housing:</b>	Taxi/Shuttle/Greyhound
<b>Nearest bus station (to the airport):</b>	Greyhound
<b>Bus information (web site):</b>	<a href="http://www.greyhound.com">www.greyhound.com</a>
<b>Nearest train information (to the airport):</b>	n/a
<b>Train information (web site):</b>	n/a
<b>If participant arrives after hours suggested, overnight accomodation:</b>	Motel
<b>Cost per night:</b>	\$75 - \$125
<b>Transportation to overnight accomodation:</b>	Taxi
<b>Transportations cost:</b>	Varies
<b>Specific instructions:</b>	<p>Make sure to arrive at least 1 day prior to your assigned check in date. If you do not arrive to the orientation on your assigned day and time you may have a extended delay in starting to work.</p> <p>If you arrive into the Myrtle Beach Airport, take a taxi to the suggested housing or the housing of your choice. If you arrive into any other airport, travel by Greyhound Bus to Myrtle Beach and then take a taxi to the housing.</p>

## *Social Security Information*

<b>Does the company require students to have Social Security number before arriving to the work place?</b>	yes
<b>Does the company provide Social Security application assistance?</b>	no
<b>If so, details:</b>	Directions to closest Social Security office.
<b>Where is the closest Social Security office?</b>	Conway
<b>How far is the Social Security office from the work place?</b>	Approx 20 miles
<b>Specific instructions:</b>	Social Security Office 1316 THIRD AVE CONWAY, SC 29526 Phone: 843-248-4271 Toll-Free: 1-800-772-12



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