Summer Camp Counselor Job Description



Essential Function:

Summer Camp Counselors need cognitive and communication abilities to make important decisions, plan, and communicate necessary information to campers and staff. Physical ability to be present, lead camp activities, hike the trails, and handle the environmental conditions of Camp. Incorporate the Columbus Youth Camp model, *Respect Yourself, Respect Others, and Respect Camp* daily. Camp Counselors report to Head Counselors and the Program Director.

Responsible To: Head Counselor and Program Director

Hours and Pay: 11 weeks of Camp, plus training and up to 40 hours per week Pay begins at \$13/ hour, Closed on May 26th & July 4th

General Responsibility:

To lead youth in fun, safe, age-appropriate activities and supervise a group at the club or camp. To work with youth ages 5-12 from the Columbus area representing its basic cultural and socio-economic make-up

Activity Qualifications:

- Must be at least 18 years old
- Demonstrated experience working with youth
- Enthusiastic when engaging and or assisting youth in activities
- Current CPR and First Aid certified preferred (any other certifications, such as life-guarding, are a plus)
- Ability to perform duties in a professional and organized manner, work well as part of a team
- Ability to lead general recreation activities and supervise youth with an emphasis on safety
- Ability to maintain control of the group and follow the risk management plan
- Must assist with cleaning and maintaining each area
- Must be able to stand for long periods of time and lift heavy objects of up to 20bls
- Available 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday-Friday starting May 22nd- August 5th.
- Attend weekly meetings
- Available to ride the morning bus from Foundation For Youth.
- Required Training Dates: May 22nd, 23rd, 24th 2025 *possible training on May 17, 2025
- Required to stay for the camp overnight. *Overnight day will have extended hours*

Specific Responsibilities:

- Run trail group activities for your group
- Safely guide a trail group of campers through the day at Camp
- Ensure the safety of campers by staying aware of their whereabouts, never leaving the group unattended
- Keep your groups on schedule and arrive at the proper activity locations
- Assist with morning meetings by participating in or leading songs, games, and skits
- Be a role model for youth by arriving on time, being respectful towards others, good language, and proper work attire
- Work collaboratively with other staff members to create a safe, positive, and fun environment for campers
- Assist Activity Specialists and participate in activities
- Assist the Activity Specialists in setting up and leading camp activities
- Assist with tear down and clean up of activities before leaving each area
- Provide basic first aid to campers and complete the appropriate injury reports
- Attend staff meetings and training sessions

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