

Job descriptions: Senior Camp Counselor

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Classification: Exempt Dates: July 13-20, 2024

Reports to: Senior Camp Counselor Lead

Position Purpose:

As a Senior Camp Counselor at CampOUT, your primary responsibility is to create a safe, inclusive, and engaging environment for campers while also providing leadership and support to fellow counselors. In addition to your on-site duties, you will be responsible for hosting Zoom meetings with campers leading up to camp and addressing staff behavioral concerns.

Essential Job Functions:

Supervision and Safety:

- Provide supervision and guidance to camp counselors within your assigned color group, serving as their direct supervisor.
- Supervise and ensure the safety of campers during all activities and throughout their stay at camp.
- Enforce camp rules and policies to maintain a safe and respectful camp environment.
- Respond to and manage any camper concerns, conflicts, or incidents in a prompt and appropriate manner.

• Recreational Activities:

- Plan and lead age-appropriate recreational activities, games, and outings.
- Foster a positive and inclusive atmosphere where campers feel valued and supported.
- Provide guidance and mentorship to campers, promoting personal growth and social development.
- o Create guidance for new and less experienced camp counselors.

• Teamwork and Communication:

- Collaborate with fellow staff members to ensure the smooth operation of daily camp activities.
- Communicate effectively with campers, parents, and camp leadership.
- o Assist with mealtime supervision and other daily routines.

• Role Modeling and Environment:

- Act as a positive role model by demonstrating respect, enthusiasm, and a strong work ethic.
- Contribute to a clean and organized camp environment.

• Pre-Camp Engagement:

- Host Zoom meetings with campers leading up to camp to build rapport and address pre-camp questions and concerns.
- Address staff behavioral concerns, conflicts, and performance issues in collaboration with camp leadership.



Other Job Duties:

- Attend staff meetings and complete training sessions, and all paperwork as required in a timely manner
- Be prepared to assist with emergency procedures and first aid as necessary.
- Promote and uphold camp policies and safety protocols.
- Encourage campers to participate actively in all camp activities and promote a sense of belonging.

Relationships:

Senior Camp Counselors generally have regular relationships with counselors, mental health, medical, lifeguard staff, campers, guardians, program specialists, and leadership staff.

Equipment Used:

Counselors may be asked to use fire protection equipment, safety equipment, specialty program equipment. Some may be asked to drive camp golf carts as well as hold confidential camper information.

Qualifications: (Minimum Education and Experience)

- Must be at least 21 years old
- Previous camp counselor experience with CampOUT
- Certification in First Aid and CPR is preferred.
- Candidates must have the ability to pass a background screening, with the associated costs covered no sooner than 60 days prior to the commencement of the camp.
- Must submit a health history record by camp deadline

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- A genuine passion for creating a positive and inclusive camp experience for all campers.
- Strong leadership and teamwork skills.
- Excellent problem-solving abilities.
- Adaptability and flexibility in a dynamic camp environment.
- Safety awareness and the ability to ensure the well-being of campers.
- A Camp Can-Do attitude, demonstrating enthusiasm, encouragement, and adaptability.
- Effective teamwork skills to collaborate with other counselors and staff.

Physical Aspects of the Job:

- Physical requirements may include prolonged standing, walking, some bending, lifting (including the ability to lift up to 50 lbs), and outdoor activities.
- Ability to work outdoors in various weather conditions.
- Willingness to live on-site in cabins with campers during camp sessions and work irregular hours.

As a Senior Camp Counselor, your leadership and interpersonal skills will be instrumental in providing campers with a memorable and enriching experience. In addition to your on-site responsibilities, your ability to host Zoom meetings with campers and address staff behavioral concerns will contribute to the overall success and positive culture of CampOUT.