

# **Summer Camp Director Job Description**

**Hours:** Up to 29 hours per week from February to May. 40 hours per week, June- August.

**Status:** Seasonal

Reports to: Youth & Family Program Coordinator

**Pay Rate**: \$20.00 - \$22.00 per hour

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### **General Summary:**

The Camp Director is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the summer camp program. Successful Directors exhibit characteristics of responsibility, dependability, leadership, patience, punctuality, hard work, sense of humor, self-control, integrity, common sense, good judgment and a positive enthusiastic attitude. The Camp Director is responsible for ensuring the care and safety of participants (aged 4-14), and staff in the summer camp program. The Director also provides guidance and support to the staff members they supervise to ensure that activity planning, implementation and supervision is consistently meeting and exceeding expectations.

#### **Essential Functions:**

- Oversight of daily operations of the summer camp program.
- Work with the Youth & Family Program Coordinator to plan and schedule appropriate activities for the duration of the camp program.
- Provide supply requests to the Youth & Family Program Coordinator.
- Serve the campers and staff as a positive role model.
- Meet the emotional, social, physical and cognitive needs of each child.
- Manage both camper and staff behavioral issues.
- Maintain open communication and communicate clearly, both orally and in writing, with a variety of stakeholders including children, parents, staff and supervisors.
- Report any suspected abuse to supervisor in compliance with mandated reporting requirements.
- Maintain confidentiality.
- Write reports and maintain documentation.
- Ongoing maintenance of records such as camper and staff attendance, schedule and time sheets.
- Coordinate field trips, ensuring appropriate supplies, activities and communication with all relevant parties.
- Operate city vehicles to transport staff and supplies to and from field trips.
- Provide pre-camp and in-service staff trainings and meetings.
- Produce and deliver mid-season and end of season staff performance reviews.
- Participate in evaluation of staff and program.
- Maintain cleanliness of all utilized facilities to ensure a safe and healthy environment.
- Perform duties in a variety of settings including, but not limited to, offices, classrooms, indoor gymnasiums, outdoor fields, waterfront, and field trips to different locations.
- Perform other related duties as required, directed, or as a situation dictates.
- Regular attendance on scheduled work days is required.

## **Desired Qualifications:**

- Must be at least 18 years old.
- Experience working in an after school, camp, recreation or school setting.
- Experience providing supervision and guidance to members of staff.
- Experience working with children ages 4-14.
- Experience scheduling and planning activities for children.
- Experience addressing camper behavioral issues with children, parents and staff.
- CPR/ First Aid certified preferred.
- Demonstrate creativity, ability to motivate children, positive attitude.
- Excellent role model.
- Good communicator.
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment.
- Ability to follow and provide direction to complete assigned tasks.
- Ability to safely operate Recreation Department vehicles.
- Flexible and a team player.
- Driver's license with a clean driving record.

#### Knowledge of:

- Basic principles and practices of community recreation.
- Modern office procedures, methods, and computer equipment.
- Principles and procedure of confidential record keeping.
- Trends in program and staff development.
- Effective customer service practices.
- A variety of games, sports, activities, riddles, songs, and arts & crafts that children will enjoy participating in.
- Positive behavior management techniques.
- Water safety

#### Ability to:

- Build positive and respectful relationships with children.
- Plan, coordinate, direct and implement programming, for both individuals and groups, in accordance with curriculum objectives and program philosophy.
- Effectively operate in an environment which involves sensitive situations with participants, families, staff and the general public.
- Maintain a professional level of confidentiality with the population being served.
- Meet the emotional, social, physical and cognitive needs of each child.
- Maintain a safe and healthy environment.
- Report any suspected abuse to supervisor.
- Utilize personal computers, tablets and mobile phones to communicate, manage databases and software and complete word processing.
- Use independent judgement and personal initiative in the performance of duties and in the absence of supervision.
- Work cooperatively and collaboratively as part of a team.
- Communicate clearly, both orally and in writing, and maintain effective relationships.

## **Physical Demands**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to walk, sit and talk or hear. The employee may also be asked to engage in physical activities that relate to the programs within reason, such as sports and modified games, long walks on trips, etc.

The employee may occasionally lift and/or move up to 50 pounds.

Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus.

#### **Work Environment**

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The duties listed above are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

The job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of the employer and requirements of the job change.

If unable to work the hours scheduled, the employee is required to contact their supervisor via phone and not email, making every effort to speak in person, with a valid reason, so as coverage can be found.