

CAMP MANITO-WISH YMCA – LEADERSHIP FACILITATOR- SUMMER

JOB OBJECTIVE: Summer Facilitators work from late May to mid-August to provide life-changing experiences for participants, including but not limited to those from the Schuler Scholar program. Summer Facilitators are expected to solo-lead 3- and 4-day wilderness trips and facilitate in-camp programming for participants.

MINIMUM OUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. Minimum of 18 years of age
- 2. Teaching, guiding or facilitation experience
- 3. Leadership experience (preferred)
- 4. Knowledge and skills (or willing to develop) in low and high ropes course facilitation
- 5. Wilderness trip leading experience (preferred)
- 6. Desire and proven ability to positively interact, teach, and build outdoor and life skills (including confidence and self-esteem) with youth in wilderness and in-camp settings
- 7. Certified in Wilderness First Aid and CPR (Certifications may be obtained through Camp Manito-wish prior to first day of work)
- 8. Certified in Lifeguard or Wilderness Water Safety (strongly preferred)
- 9. Good written and verbal communication skills
- 10. Good character role model able to demonstrate optimism, resilience, humility, empathy, awareness of self and others, resourcefulness, responsibility and adaptability

RESPONSIBLE TO: Leadership Assistant Director

Program Director- Leadership Program

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- 1. Able and interested in leading, living alongside, teaching and supporting participants (10-18 years old)
- 2. Comfortable and interested in outdoor living and outdoor activities
- 3. Ability to teach campers about outdoor living, program activities, and team initiatives as learned in staff training and previous experiences according to Camp Manito-wish policies and practices
- 4. Ability to facilitate and belay on a challenge course and climbing wall
- 5. Able and willing develop expertise in trip discipline (Canoe, Sea Kayak, or Backpacking)
- 6. Able and willing to develop expertise in primitive wilderness tripping and backcountry camping
- 7. Ability to effectively communicate, work independently and meet deadlines
- 8. Ability to effectively communicate and work with participants as related to age and skill levels, providing necessary coordination, instruction and appropriate supervision especially as it pertains to achieving development objectives and program risk management
- 9. Ability to observe participant behavior, assess its appropriateness, enforce safety regulations and emergency procedures, and apply appropriate behavior management techniques
- 10. Able and willing to accommodate and provide equitable experiences to diverse groups of people
- 11. Visual and auditory ability to identify and respond to environmental and other hazards
- 12. Physical ability to respond appropriately to situations requiring first aid, fire evacuation and illness
- 13. Ability to work outdoors in diverse weather conditions, while safety is a top priority, candidates should be prepared for exposure to varying weather conditions
- 14. Able to carry a 55 pound canoe or up to 50 pound portage pack or backpack
- 15. Able to canoe, kayak or backpack for up to 8 hours in any given day
- 16. Able to stand and facilitate designated program area for up to 8 hours in any given day

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Act on a team of leadership facilitators for the season, taking roles as both co-leaders and primary leader of groups
- 2. Facilitate a safe, educational, progressive and fun program and progressive group experience
- 3. Facilitate single and multi-day in-camp experiential programming for groups of youth aged 10 18, including

- autonomously planning and running sequences of activities and processing in small groups of 5 –
 12 students to achieve social-emotional outcomes and ensure growth
- · facilitating and belaying on a low and high ropes course
- creating a physically and emotionally safe community environment
- 4. Lead trail groups of up to 6 participants on multi-day canoeing, backpacking and kayaking trips, including
 - creating a physically and emotionally safe community environment
 - facilitating participants' growth in technical and interpersonal skills
 - managing behavior and emotional difficulties
 - · assessing and managing wilderness risk
 - providing first aid care as necessary
- 5. Travel to offsite to locations within the region to deliver high quality programming for youth and/or adults
- 6. Be responsible cleanliness, organization, and management of the Leadership Program equipment and spaces
- 7. Maintain and be accountable for all Leadership Program equipment
- 8. Utilize and practice industry standard operations and risk management over the Program Areas, equipment, and programming
- 9. Provide appropriate repairs to Program Areas and equipment per skill and expertise
- 10. Submit maintenance requests as needed
- 11. Deliver program announcements for activities offered for the day
- 12. Assist in planning and coordinating of special events, activities and other programmatic components
- 13. Assist in aspects of participant experiences which include:
 - Responsibility for participant's safety and behavior management
 - Knowledge of Program Area, waterfront and large group game rules while
 - Knowledge of swimming rules while
 - Knowledge and implementation of risk management
 - Ability to provide support and direction
- 14. Monitor and display active, sincere concern for participants and staff throughout the session including their behavior, enjoyment, general hygiene and dress (appropriate and clean clothing for weather and activities)
- 15. Participate in all evening activities, opening/closing day events, and special activities
- 16. Become familiar with the use and applications of all items in the program first aid kit
- 17. Be familiar with emergency procedures
- 18. Provide direction to participants during emergency procedures, in both drills and implementation in case of emergencies
- 19. Complete detail (cleaning assignment) as assigned and assist in the stewardship of Camp- assist in detail and special projects around Camp and maintaining a high standard of cleanliness in the Manito-wish Leadership Center (MLC), bathrooms, workspaces, program areas, participant housing and staff housing
- 20. Take responsibility over assigned program area details
- 21. Complete all pre- and post-session paperwork including: inventories, lesson plans, program evaluations, planning paperwork, incidents and near miss reports
- 22. Submit an evaluation at the end each group and the end of the summer season as instructed by supervisor
- 23. Support other events at Camp including programming weekend, property projects and closing down Camp for winter
- 24. Actively participate in all training sessions
- 25. Attend each meal when not on time-off
- 26. "Cunot" take responsibility for a cabin group during cabin activity periods, meals, and at night, as necessary
- 27. "Convoy" act as camp representative on buses/vans bringing campers to and from camp at start and end of sessions, as necessary
- 28. Understand and commit to the Manito-wish Mission, Vision and Commitment Statements
- 29. Understand and commit to the YMCA core values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility
- 30. Understand and commit to all policies related to Child Abuse Prevention directed by Camp Manito-wish YMCA
- 31. Uphold rules and policies associated with Camp Manito-wish YMCA and support the group living experience
- 32. Able to maintain mental, emotional and social resiliency (such as handling stressful situations appropriately) needed for the job in a fast-paced, interactive environment
- 33. Perform other duties as assigned

TIME OFF:

- 1. Schedules are made according to programming schedule
- 2. Any other time off at the discretion of the Program Staff Director or Program Director