

Camp Fire Inland Northwest Job Description

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Position Title: Unit Counselor

Primary Position Location: Camp Dart-Lo, Spokane, WA

Responsible to: Assistant Camp Director

Salary: Paid OR Volunteer

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS OF ALL STAFF:

- Visual, physical, and auditory ability to identify and respond to environmental and other hazards related to the camp setting.
- Abide by health and safety rules to ensure well-being of campers and staff at all times.
- Ability to assist campers and staff in emergency (fire, evacuation, illness, or injury).
- Ability to observe and evaluate camper behavior; enforce safety regulations and emergency procedures; and apply appropriate behavior-management techniques.
- Prepare the necessary reports, inventories, and records as assigned.
- Plan for and carry out the care and maintenance of the equipment and facilities assigned.
- Know the basic facts about the program of Camp Fire.
- Display a willingness to accept a reasonable share of camp responsibilities, and other duties as assigned.
- Prepare for and participate in the meetings and conferences of the staff.
- Ability to communicate and work with groups participating (age and skill levels), and provide necessary instruction to campers and staff.
- Bring complaints or problems directly to Assistant Camp Director or Camp Director.
- Abide by established procedures and policies covered during staff training, in Camp Staff Practices and Guidelines, and Code of Conduct.
- Successfully pass a state, local and federal background check. Successfully pass a search in the U.S. Department of Justice National Sex Offender public database.
- Willingness to work at alternate camp locations; state and camp applicable wages apply.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS/NECESSARY SKILLS

- Experience working with children.
- Desire and ability to work with children outdoors.
- Ability to relate to one's peer group; be a good role model and mentor.
- Ability to accept supervision and guidance.
- Ability to teach a variety of activities.
- Good character, integrity, and adaptability.
- Enthusiasm, sense of humor, patience, and self-control.

SPECIFIC JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

- Lead and guide a group of campers each week, providing them with personalized attention and experiences.
- Lead and teach a variety of age appropriate camper planned activities including but not limited to: outdoor skills; cooking and overnights; hiking; crafts; games; nature activities; singing; and general camp program.
- Plan, participate in, and evaluate the program designed for individual campers, small groups, and unit groups, and all-camp activities that will follow the Camp Fire philosophy of camping and the objectives of Camp Dart-Lo.
- Be on time and participate in camp events, activities, and meals.
- Responsibly carry out camp events and bus duty as required.
- Participate with campers in all group, unit and all-camp activities.
- Instruct campers in rules, safety regulations and emergency procedures, i.e., fire drills, evacuating camp, etc.

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- Ensure campers' needs are met to include medications, diet, water intake, etc.
- Be knowledgeable about the health, eating habits, and diets of campers.
- Observe campers for signs of illness or fatigue and report to the Camp Nurse.
- Supervise and assist campers in unit kapers, and overall cleanliness of camp.
- Assist in planning all-camp activities, as scheduled.
- Notify appropriate camp personnel of maintenance and safety needs, as necessary.
- Complete all session paperwork; this includes but is not limited to: bead sheets, post cards, evaluations, record sheets, and inventories.
- Attend staff training and assist with the opening and closing of camp.
- Supervise PALs and CAs as assigned. Evaluate their performance weekly or as required.
- Serve as a deck staff as needed during swim times. Supervise campers in the changing rooms and pool area during swim time.
- Temporarily fill other positions in camp and assist with camper supervision in assigned unit when not focused on primary duties.
- Other duties as assigned by the Assistant Camp Director

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- Possess the strength and endurance required to maintain constant supervision of campers.
- Ability to maneuver wilderness terrain with uneven ground and steep inclines.
- Good physical shape to travel on rugged camp property quickly.
- Ability to lift and carry a minimum of 35 pounds.

Appointment/Employment is at will. Camp Fire Inland Northwest Council is free to determine that continued appointment/employment of any staff member is not in its best interest and is free to discharge that staff member, with or without cause.

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