

Camp Sunshine Volunteer Job Description

Volunteer Title: Overnight Program Volunteer

Minimum Age: 21

Reports To: Camp Director/Program Director

Can Participate In The Following Programs:

- Weekend programs (Family Camp, Remember the Sunshine Weekend, Sibling Camp, Teen Retreat, Lock Ins, etc.)
- House Programs
- Special Events
- Office Volunteering

Minimum Qualifications:

- High school graduate or equivalent
- Desire and ability to work with children outdoors or in a camp setting
- Strength and endurance required to maintain consistent supervision of campers for a one to three day resident camping experience
- Ability to be a positive member of a team and to accept supervision and guidance
- Good character, integrity and adaptability
- Visual and auditory ability to identify and respond to environmental or other hazards related to camp activities

Requirements:

- Interview with Camp Director
- Complete annual application and confidentiality statement
- Pass annual background check
- Provide three references
- Provide copies of any relevant licensing/certifications (medical volunteers only)
- Attend mandatory volunteer orientation

Duties:

- Annually commit at least one weekend to volunteering at Camp Sunshine's weekend programs
- Assist in Camp Sunshine programs where campers are present to help create a safe and fun environment
- Participate in the planning and implementation of camp programming
- Provide leadership and participate in camp activities, sharing enthusiasm for each activity

- Work with program directors or other staff to meet the needs of the campers
- Encouraging respect for personal property, camp equipment and facilities
- Committing to and upholding all camp rules
- Perform cabin duty as assigned
- Set a good example for your campers
- Observe camper behavior, assess its appropriateness and apply any necessary behavior management techniques
- Enforce appropriate safety regulations and emergency procedures
- Cabin Counselor Specific Functions:
 - Live in a cabin with a group of campers, serving and their counselor and leader throughout the session
 - Guide your cabin in a variety of activities
 - Work to develop a group/team feeling in your cabin and within camp as a whole
 - Know the whereabouts of your campers at all times
 - Monitor the daily health and safety of each camper in your cabin
 - Identify and meet any camper needs
 - Establish individual respect and relationships with each of your campers
 - Assist Activity Staff by actively participating and supervising campers at program activities.
- Activity Counselor Specific Functions:
 - Develop and/or implement age-appropriate program activities to involve campers and their counselors during activity periods, in coordination with the Camp or Program Director
 - Be present and on time for each activity period
 - Provide leadership, guide, motivate and instruct the campers during each activity period
 - Develop a team feeling in your program area if possible and in camp as a whole
 - Establish and enforce safety precautions, regulations and emergency procedures relating to the equipment, materials and area of your assigned activity.
 - Assist Cabin Staff by being involved in evening programs, meal times and other free times.