



## **SummerKids Day Camp Counselor** (seasonal temporary)

### **Job Overview:**

Counselors are invaluable members of our staff who are role models, motivators, educators, caregivers and spark champions. They facilitate a safe, fun, and confidence building summer for all our campers. Counselors, as part of a dynamic team, will implement planned curricula, contribute ideas, and help to ensure a memorable camp experience for the campers, their families, and the other Camp Fire staff in the SummerKids community. We strive to create an environment where each camper and staff member has a sense of belonging, opportunities to share passions, and a place to thrive.

Each week of camp, counselors are assigned a group of 8-12 campers aged 5-12 years old. Counselors will build community within their group, lead games and activities, and manage the physical and emotional safety of their group. They will also prepare for and lead some more involved activities for combined groups or organize camp wide activities. Counselors may also be scheduled to run activities in our extended care program outside regular camp hours of 9 am -3:30 pm.

### **Schedule:**

This is a 35-40 hour per week, seasonal position. Hours vary depending upon program needs and will be between the hours of 7:30am - 5:30pm.

Training: Weekend of June 5th-7th (partial days), June 11th-13th

Camp Sessions: June 15th - August 21st

Option: August 24th - 28th: possible position at Tumalo Day Camp (*not required*)

*(There may be additional contract, full or part time opportunities with Camp Fire during the following school year.)*

### **Qualifications:**

A counselor is enthusiastic, fun-loving, patient, relationship oriented, and genuinely cares about the well-being and development of our campers and other staff. Counselors are also safety-minded, organized, and able to communicate ideas and needs effectively.

Prior experience in the youth development field preferred. Some higher education or equivalent experience in camp or education environments is favorable. Camp Fire recognizes the value

of skills and knowledge gained outside of formal higher education and paid employment. Applicants who do not meet the minimum qualifications but present other qualifications or experience equivalent to those required, or demonstrate a strong desire to learn and gain job skills in the youth development, will be considered and are encouraged to apply.

A first aid/CPR certification is required by the time the position begins. There may be an opportunity to take this course with other Camp Fire staff prior to the start of staff training.

**Benefits:**

Join a community of passionate educators who work hard to make a positive impact on the community and provide opportunities for local youth to find their sparks and thrive. If you have kids, they can come to camp for free!

During the summer you can expand your resume and gain valuable experience in:

Supervision	Leadership	Group management
Teaching	Communication	Planning and organizing
Mentorship	Activity preparation	And much more!

**Compensation:**

\$12.50-\$14 per hour, DOE

Native Spanish speaking candidates are encouraged to apply and will be compensated above the standard wage.

**To Apply:**

Email your resume, cover letter, and two references to [jobs@campfireco.org](mailto:jobs@campfireco.org) with subject line "SummerKids Counselor 2020 [Your last name]".

Camp Fire will begin reviewing applications at the end of March and interview and hire from there on a rolling basis.

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