

JOB DESCRIPTION

Outpost Counselor

Classification: Seasonal

Reports to: Outpost Director

Minimal Qualifications:

- Active Christian faith
- At least one year of college completed
- Ability to learn, perform, and teach certain outdoor skills and activities (ie. fire building, tent set up, rock climbing, kayaking, etc)
- Comfortable with building Christian community by leading, teaching and equipping others
- Ability to work well with others
- Desire to be outdoors for extended period of time and instill that admiration in youth
- Willingness to support the theological doctrine and practices of the United Methodist Church

General and Specific Responsibilities:

- Supervise Outpost Campers
 - Personally responsible for up to six campers each week
 - Partner with a co-counselor and their campers for all activities throughout the week.
 - Oversee campers' safety and well-being
 - Attending to campers' individual abilities and health issues
 - Guide an overnight campout and/or multiple night trips (kayaking, hiking, climbing, horseback, etc)
 - Plan camper activities both with and without campers present
 - Daily cleaning (shelters, bathrooms, trash, dishes, kitchen, etc.)
 - Belay at challenge course for campers
- Training
 - Wilderness First Aid
 - Lifeguard
 - Trip skills: hiking, kayaking, climbing, horseback riding, belaying, backpack packing, tent setup, etc.
 - Trip logistics: schedules, safety, camper trip orientation, etc.
 - Community development (team building)
 - Outdoor skills: knot tying, fire making, shelter building, cooking, purifying water, etc.
 - "Leave No Trace" philosophy
- Implementing the mission of Glisson in the day to day activities of campers
 - Incorporate summer curriculum throughout daily activities and routines
 - Plan and debrief activities to reflect the Gospel and develop character
 - Facilitate and coordinate morning devotionals, worship, and chapels with campers and other counselors

This is not an exhaustive list of responsibilities assigned to this position. Other responsibilities may be assigned and the above list may be altered.