

SUMMER DAY CAMP AT CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
POSITION: SENIOR COUNSELOR

The Summer Camp at Christ Episcopal Church in Poughkeepsie is accepting applications for **Senior Counselor positions** to help lead its nonsectarian six week summer day camp serving Poughkeepsie City elementary children aged 6-11.

Four Senior Counselors, Counselors and interns will assist the Camp Director and Program Coordinator achieve the camp goals:

- *To create a camp experience for children that is culturally and socially enriching and promotes a sense of caring for self, family and the larger community.*
- *To teach children social skills needed to care for self, family, and the larger community.*
- *To promote camp spirit and group identity among the children with whom they work.*
- *To maintain a healthy and safe setting in which the children enjoy themselves while developing as confident, creative and active learners.*

Specifically, the Senior Counselor will be responsible for:

- Providing leadership and supervision for the children in your group of 12 children in all activities, including those offsite—with the counselor in your group.
- Planning the small group activities and learning experiences and maintaining a daily/weekly schedule with the support of the Program Coordinator.
- Supporting and contributing to the overall camp program and observing the camp rules.
- Modeling responsible behavior and promoting responsible behavior among the campers. The camp uses principles of the Responsive Classroom method for teaching social and behavioral skills.
- Observing and evaluating the growth of your campers and keeping appropriate records.
- Supporting and assisting the work of specialists who may visit camp to share their expertise.
- Teaching topics of which you have general knowledge, special knowledge, and interest.
- Enforcing and participating in COVID19 protocols as directed by the Director and Program Coordinator. Regularly sanitizing surfaces after use.

Qualifications for the Senior Counselor position are:

- Experience leading and teaching small groups of children.
- Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with others.
- Good planning, writing and organizational skills.
- High energy level, good health and enthusiasm for being with children.
- Teaching experience is desirable.
- Completed at least 3 years of college and 20 years of age or older.

- Complete safe church training with *SafeguardingOnline*, as well as Red Cross *CPRPro and Responding to Emergencies* certification which is offered during Staff Orientation Week.

Knowledge and skills in any of the following areas are desirable:

Education	Multicultural studies	Drama	Recreation
Music	Dance		2nd language
Water Safety	CPR	1st Aid	Arts and Crafts
Writing	Environmental studies	Storytelling	Literature
Hiking	History of area	Technology	Camp songs

The camp is a nonsectarian and inclusive 6 week day camp located in air-conditioned rooms of Christ Episcopal Church, with outdoor activities occurring daily. Camp runs Monday through Friday, July 5 through August 12, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. There will be one staff meeting until 5:30pm each week. Senior Counselors should arrive at camp by 8:00am and stay until 4:15 as needed to close camp for the day. They are also required to participate in a compensated week of orientation from Monday June 27 through July 1 as well as clean up day on Saturday, August 13, which is required of all staff.

Salary is \$15.25/hr.

Applications are due by April 30 and must include

- a resume and
- name, position, address, phone number and email address of 3 references (including a teacher, professor, advisor, former advisor but not a family member or close friend)

An interview will be scheduled after references are checked. Applications are available on the Summer Camp website *and may be mailed or hand delivered (9:00 – 2:30 Mon. – Fri.) to Summer Camp at Christ Church, 20 Carroll St. Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. Applications may also be emailed to the Camp Director at campatchristchurch@gmail.com.*

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