

The Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus, OH 43209

## **CAMP JUNIOR COUNSELOR POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Position Title:** Camp Arye Junior Counselor

**Dept No:** 633000

**Department:** Camp

**Personnel Code:** Camp Staff

**Status:** Non-Exempt

**Supervisor:** Director of JCC Camps

### **Mission Statement:**

The Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus is a human service agency offering a varied program that is Jewish in nature. It is committed to enhancing the quality of individual and family life through the promotion of physical, intellectual and spiritual wellness. It provides educational and cultural programs that reflect the Jewish heritage, health related activities and many services to the community at large. Through its wide array of programs, the JCC pursues its mission of strengthening the individual, family and community.

Revised by the Board of Trustees on April 16, 2012

### **Vision Statement:**

The JCC nurtures a passion for Jewish learning and living. Through programs and services, the JCC provides comfortable and inviting environments in which the community can thrive.

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### **Agency Expectations:**

- To support the mission of the JCC.
- To insure the highest quality of programs and services and possess a working knowledge of agency programs and services.
- To represent the agency and provide the highest quality of customer service to the individuals and groups with whom you come into contact.
- To welcome, thank and engage JCC members and guests on a daily basis.
- To treat fellow staff with respect.
- To adhere to all policies and practices provided in the employee handbook.
- To wear JCC Staff ID badge and attend appropriate staff meetings.

**Camp Goals:** The Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus Day Camp provides children with a variety of experiences and activities to enhance their Jewish identity, create fun and adventure, develop an appreciation and understanding for the outdoors and develop each camper as an individual and as a member of a group.

**Position Summary:** Work with the senior counselor to identify and meet camper needs, carry out camp programs, and fulfill other staff administrative roles.

**Supervised by Camp Arye Director, Unit Head &/or Senior Counselor**

**Qualifications:**

1. **Knowledge and Education - Minimum Required or Preferred:** Ninth grade graduate or at least 16 years of age
2. **Experience - Minimum Required or Preferred:**
3. **Special Skills:** Desire and ability to work with children outdoors; ability to relate to one's peer group; ability to accept guidance and supervision; ability to assist in teaching an activity; good character, integrity and adaptability, enthusiasm, sense of humor, patience and self-control; ability to physically lift campers in and out of swimming pool; ability to help campers change clothes; ability to swim with campers, and ability to chase campers if necessary.

**Essential Functions:**

- Visual and auditory ability to identify and respond to environmental and other hazards related to the activity.
- Ability to communicate and work with groups participating and provide necessary instruction to campers and staff.
- Physical strength and ability to be actively involved in activities of instruction.
- Ability to observe camper behavior, assess its appropriateness, enforce appropriate safety regulations and emergency procedures and apply appropriate behavior management techniques.
- Physical ability to respond appropriately to situations requiring first aid.
- Cognitive and communication abilities to plan and conduct the activity to achieve camper development.
- Strength and endurance required to maintain constant supervision of campers.
- Ability to assist campers in an emergency (fire, evacuation, illness, or injury).

**Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Learn the likes/dislikes of each participant.
- Recognize and respond to opportunities for problem solving in the group.
- Develop opportunities for interaction between campers and staff.
- Provide opportunities for the group so that each individual experiences success during camp.
- Provide opportunities for discussion of individual or group problems or concerns.
- Help each participant meet the goals established by the camp for camper development.
- Participate in a camp Jewish Education program, including a weekend retreat.
- Guide group and individual campers in participating successfully in all aspects of camp activities.
- Carry out established roles for supervising camper health.
- Carry out established roles in enforcing camp safety regulations.
- Develop activity plans with participants as appropriate.
- Supervise all assigned aspects of the campers' day.
- Instruct campers in emergency procedures.
- Help camper plan their participation in unit-wide or camp-wide programs, special events, and activities.
- Assist in teaching or leading an activity, as assigned.
- Wear a swim suit and assist in daily pool activities.
- These are not the only duties to be performed. Some duties may be reassigned and other duties may be assigned as required.

**Acknowledgement:** Employee Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Employee's Signature

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Date of Signature