

COUNSELLOR

Job description

Reports to: Camp Management Team and Session Director

Supervises: Campers assigned to them

General Responsibility Statement: A counsellor's main responsibility is overseeing the campers' health, happiness and safety while at camp. It is also the responsibility of the counsellors to direct their counsellor group in all camp activities so that each camper has an enjoyable camp experience. It is also important for the counsellor to maintain a role of leadership and guidance while exemplifying a Christian attitude.

Specific Responsibilities:

- Supervises all campers and CIT assigned to them at the beginning of each session.
- To be directly responsible for the health, welfare and happiness of each camper.
- To get to know and understand each child in his/her group immediately upon arrival at camp.
- Set a Christian example in all things said and done.
- Follow all camp rules and ensure campers are doing the same.
- Ensure that each camper is washing, changing clothes and is eating sufficient portions of food.
- Be on time, keeping to the schedule set by each session director.
- Participate actively, alongside campers, in all camp activities (including but not limited to: worship, devotions, sports, etc.)
- Lead in devotionals, drama, and singing and arrive at camp prepared to do so. Counsellors may wish to bring related resource materials with them to camp, though there are also some available onsite.
- Know where the campers assigned to them are at all times.
- Help campers to understand the necessity of obeying camp rules, if he/she breaks them. Implement age-appropriate behaviour management techniques, as discussed in staff training. Serious discipline problems should be reported to the Session Director.
- Counsellors should show a positive attitude toward all aspects of camp and be supportive of their colleagues who are leading in specific activities.
- Get required rest. A tired counsellor lacks energy and enthusiasm.
- Ensure that cabins and area around cabins are kept neat.
- Ensure that there is both wash water and drinking water available in their area
- Report any damaged camp equipment to the Camp Management Team
- Any other tasks as directed by the camp manager or session director, providing it does not conflict with primary responsibilities.