



## Chots' Shot

When people ask me what I do for a living, I often smile and say, "I'm in the happiness business." Then I explain that I direct a summer camp. Most everyone smiles when I tell them what I do; then they share their memories from their summer camp experience.

At the end of long summer, with a few more weeks to go, it's nice to be reminded that not only do I get to provide a happy place for lots of kids and young adults, but I also get to play while working all summer long. Yes, I spend most of my day solving problems, returning emails and handling the boring side of camp life. It is all worth it when a colleague calls me into her office to tell me about a funny exchange with a camper, which happened on Wednesday.

I was doing my usual rounds to close camp down when a J staff member shared a conversation that you can only have with a young child, because children do indeed say the darndest things. "One of your campers asked me if I knew my blood type - she knew hers was O. Apparently anyone with type O is a queen or a princess," relayed my friend. Yep, I have a cool job.

I'll see you the Carpool line,

Chots





## Introducing Brooke, SFC Specialist

Hello, my name is Brooke, and I am the art specialist. This is my second year at camp and I love every second of it. Camp has a very inclusive atmosphere, and it is clear both campers and staff enjoy their time here. In art this year, campers have made many crafts including large, wooden dice and Jenga. I hope to see your child at camp again next year!



## Introducing Jake, SFC Counselor

I have had so much fun at J Day Camps. It is so rewarding as a counselor seeing all the campers having so much fun throughout our day. Whether it's swimming, playing sports or even just joking around at lunch, spending time with the campers brings me so much joy. I will forever be grateful that I have had the opportunity of being a camp counselor at the J!





## Report from Chesterfield: Color Wars!

We had a great week at the Fox J Day Camp! This week for Wacky Wednesday, we had tie-dye day and had great camper participation! Some of our art projects included creating our own comics, making cut out snakes, monster slime and bookmarks. In team building, we made cards for nursing home residents. In sports, we played a bunch of fun games including basketball. In nature, we made nature stories using pictures. In cooking, we made ice cream sundaes and had a lot of topping options. They were super refreshing! Wednesday afternoon, we had an opening ceremony for our color wars which was Thursday! All four teams - red, yellow, green and blue - competed all day long while participating in a bunch of different activities in the water and out. It was a blast, and it was the highlight of the week! Thanks for a great week!



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