

We have openings at the Jewish Community Center of St. Louis for **Inclusion Counselors** in our 2016 Summer Day Camp program. These seasonal positions are available at both locations, Creve Coeur and Chesterfield. Camp runs Monday-Friday for 12 weeks from May 23<sup>st</sup> to August 12<sup>th.</sup> Our caring and enthusiastic Inclusion Counselors provide one on one support to children and youth with developmental disabilities as they participate in regular camp programming and participate along with campers in a variety of activities including: swimming, outdoor activities, crafts, drama, sports and nature.

## **Duties include:**

- Attend mandatory staff orientation and Parents' Meet and Greet on May 22<sup>nd</sup> & May 24<sup>th</sup>-May 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Engage with campers at all times
- Support camper as they participate in group or individual activities, helping them to be successful in all camp programs
- Write and maintain progress notes pertaining to each camper's goals
- Make accommodations to activities, as needed, to allow the campers to fully participate
- Facilitate transitions or sensory breaks as needed
- Assist campers with personal care needs as needed
- Appropriately manage crisis situations related to behavior or health as needed
- Work cooperatively with counselors and specialist leading the program
- Care for the physical and emotional well being of campers at all times
- Provide quality customer service at all times
- Recognize and respond to opportunities for problem solving
- Observe camper behavior, assess its appropriateness, and apply appropriate behavior management techniques
- Enforce appropriate safety regulations and emergency procedures.
- Attend all staff meetings throughout the summer
- Maintain good attendance
- Follow and enforce all JCC and Day Camp rules and regulations
- These are not the only duties to be performed. Some duties may be reassigned and other duties may be assigned as required.

## Minimum Qualifications:

- High school diploma or GED required; Minimum of 18 years of age is required.
- Current college student or graduate in a related field preferred.
- Experience working closely with children or youth with developmental disabilities is required.
- Understanding of the unique needs of children and youth with developmental disabilities is required.
- Must have auditory, visual, ambulatory, cognitive, communications and physical ability to complete major tasks in the program.

- Ability to provide guidance, supervision, and engage with children in an enthusiastic manner is necessary.
- Ability to relate to and communicate with one's peer group, parents, as well as to child's age and skill levels is necessary.
- Ability to assist children and youth in emergency situations, including fire, evacuation, illness, or injury is required.
- Should possess good character, integrity, and adaptability.
- Demonstrate enthusiasm, sense of humor, patience, and self-control in a dynamic environment is necessary.
- Current CPR and First Aid certification is required and must be maintained. Training will be provided if necessary.
- Registration in good standing on the MO Family Care and Safety Registry is required for these positions.

For more information about the JCC and Day Camp, please see our website: <u>www.jccstl.org</u>

To apply, please complete the Day Camp Counselor Application form and return it following the instructions on the application. It is available for printing here. Note that this is not an online form. Please be sure to write which location and position you are applying for on your application.

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