



Hello,

We are excited to know that you are interested in the Camp Alotta Fun Junior Camp Counselor Program. This program is designed for high school students seeking to gain leadership skills, organizational skills, and assets of teamwork while also earning volunteer hours. The Junior Camp Counselor will gain experience preparing lesson plans, managing camper logistics, and assisting and leading activities with our Day Camp Counselors. Each Junior Camp Counselor will be assigned to one camp group from the ages of six years old to eight years old (Red, Yellow, or Orange Group).

Requirements of a Junior Camp Counselor

- Must be entering grades 9-12
- Must be available to volunteer during the summer camp schedule (June 4-August 10, 2018) – Assignments will be made on a week-by-week basis
- Must be willing to work outdoors and enjoy working with youth
- Must be willing to work and participate in all areas of a counselors' daily camp activities
- Must be a role model and exemplify good character
- Must adhere to the job description of a camp counselor and the rules of day camp
- Must follow all safety guidelines outlined in job description of day camp counselor
- Must follow Bolingbrook Park District dress code policy
- Must remember that being a Junior Camp Counselor is a privilege and a responsibility

Contact Information

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. How many weeks can I volunteer for the camp?

Junior Camp Counselors may apply for as many weeks as they prefer to volunteer at day camp, however, weeks will be assigned and based on availability. We have a limited amount of Junior Camp Counselor positions available and we have to give a fair opportunity to all interested applicants. Additional weeks may be available during the summer.

2. What if I am unavailable for the full week?

It is required that A Junior Camp Counselor be present Monday through Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm.

3. Is the Junior Camp Counselor role a paid position?

The Junior Camp Counselor role is a volunteer opportunity where an individual can gain leadership and day camp experience while volunteering and earning community service hours.

4. If I volunteer as a Junior Camp Counselor, does that mean I can work as a Day Camp Counselor when I am of age?

Joining the Junior Camp Counselor program is an excellent step toward becoming a professional camp counselor. It does not guarantee future employment as a day camp counselor. A Junior Camp Counselor would need to go through the same application process as an outside candidate. Assuming a Junior Camp Counselor is in good standing with their volunteer hours and meets our expectations shared during their performance evaluation, preference will be given to those applicants who have gone through this program.

5. How will I know my performance status as a Junior Camp Counselor?

All Junior Camp Counselors will be given an evaluation by the Day Camp Coordinator and Group Leader upon completion of the week.

Camp Alotta Fun Junior Camp Counselor Application

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email: _____

What Extracurricular Activities Do You Participate In?

Please submit a short essay (approximately 500 words) explaining why you would like to participate in Camp Alotta Fun's Junior Camp Counselor Program. Please share your three greatest strengths, your three greatest challenges or areas of improvement, and what you hope to gain from being a Junior Camp Counselor.

Please provide a letter of recommendation from a nonfamily member.

Due Dates:

Monday June 4, 2018
Monday June 11, 2018
Monday June, 18, 2018
Monday June 25, 2018
Monday, July 2, 2018
Monday, July 9, 2018
Monday, July 16, 2018
Monday, July 23, 2018
Monday, July 30, 2018

For week beginning:

June 11, 2018
June 18, 2018
June 25, 2018
July 2, 2018
July 9, 2018
July 16, 2018
July 23, 2018
July 30, 2018
August 6, 2018

Statement of Agreement

If selected to participate in the Junior Camp Counselor program, I understand that I must attend Junior Camp Counselor training and commit to volunteering the whole week that I have applied. I am aware that this is a volunteer service program and I will not be paid for any of my time at camp.

I understand that participants in the Junior Camp Counselor program must adhere to all Bolingbrook Park District policies and cooperate with the Early Childhood Program Manager in all matters. I am aware that failure to live up to the standards of the Junior Camp Counselor program may result in dismissal from camp. I recognize that my attitudes, words, and actions are critical to the success of camp, and I promise to do my best in representing the Bolingbrook Park District.

Applicant Signature

Date

Permissions

Parent Permission to Participate

I, the undersigned parent or guardian of the named minor, do hereby request that she/he be permitted to participate in Camp Alotta Fun volunteer activities beginning at the date of signature and continuing for one year.

Parent Permission to Provide a Physician and Hospital Treatment

I hereby give my permission for the Bolingbrook Park District to call a physician or have my child taken to a hospital in the event of a serious accident or illness if I cannot be contacted. I will assume financial responsibility for this.

Photography

I understand that my child or I may be photographed or videotaped while participating in a Bolingbrook Park District Program. I give permission for photos and/or videotapes of my child or me to be used to promote the Park District. Such photos and videotapes will remain the property of the Park District.

Waiver

As a participant in Volunteer activities, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury and I and those in my charge agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, including death, damages or loss which I and those I my charge may sustain as a result of participating in and any and all activities connected with or associated with such use of Park District Facilities or Park. I agree to waive and relinquish all claims I and those in my charge may have as a result of use of Park district Facilities or Parks against the Park District and its officers, agents, servants, and employees. I do hereby fully release and discharge the Park District and its officers, agents, servants, and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damage or loss which I and those in my charge may have or which may occur to us on account of our participation in the use of Park district Facilities or Parks.

I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless and defend the Park District and its officers, agents, servants, and employees from any and all losses sustained from injuries, including death, damages and losses sustained by me and those in my charge and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with the activities in the use of Park District Facilities and Parks.

I have read the above permissions and fully understand Program Details and Waiver and Release of all claims.

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian

Parent/Guardian

Signature _____ Date: _____

Junior Camp Counselor Program Expectations Agreement

I recognize that my attitude, words, and actions are critical to the success of camp, and I promise to do my best to follow the following guidelines:

1. I understand that safety is always the top priority at camp, and I promise to make good choices that protect the physical and emotional safety of me and all the campers.
2. I recognize that I am a role model to all the campers, and I agree to represent the Bolingbrook Park District in a professional manner.
3. I will be sensitive to the needs and interests of each camper, and I agree to support them in making new friends, developing self-respect, learning new skills, and having fun.
4. I will be sensitive to the needs and interest of other Junior Camp Counselor participants and staff members, and I will treat them with respect.
5. I will take responsibility for keeping all camp equipment and facilities clean and in good repair, and I will notify the Early Childhood Program Manager of any unsafe or broken equipment.
6. I will be responsible for my personal belongings, and I will not hold Bolingbrook Park District or any other person responsible for missing or damaged belongings.
7. I will be on time to camp every day. If I am sick, I will notify the Day Camp Coordinator by calling between 8:00 and 8:30 am.
8. I will complete all my assigned responsibilities, and I will participate in all of the camp activities.
9. I understand the use of profanity, alcohol, tobacco, and drugs will not be tolerated, and that usage during camp will result in immediate dismissal from the Junior Camp Counselor program. I understand that I may not wear clothing that is revealing and/or contains inappropriate messages or pictures.
10. I understand that if I bring a cell phone to camp, I will use it at designated times and places only.
11. I understand that I will not be allowed to have visitors at camp.

Printed JCC Participant

Date

JCC Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date