

FAMILY YMCA OF MARION AND POLK COUNTIES
JOB DESCRIPTION
YMCA CAMP SILVER CREEK



JOB TITLE: Outpost Director
REPORTS TO: Program Director
FLSA TYPE: Full Time; Seasonal; Exempt
DEPARTMENT: Camping

GENERAL FUNCTION

The Outpost Director organizes the outpost room and all trips outside of camp. The Outpost Director will work with the program director to make sure all programs are staffed.

ENTRY REQUIRMENTS AND TRAINING

- Age 21 or over by June 1 preferred.
- Two years of college or equivalent in camping experience.
- With the Director, create and facilitate staff training.
- Prior leadership with groups of children at camps, youth groups, community groups.
- Supervisory experience, especially with one's peers, preferred.
- Posses desire and ability for working with children.
- Ability to understand the needs of campers and place campers' needs and camp's needs ahead of personal needs.
- Ability to relate effectively to one's peers, supervisors, and children effectively.
- Find enjoyment in outdoor living and have an appreciation and understanding of the natural environment.
- Possess flexibility, maturity, and the ability to work with a minimum of supervision.
- Good character and ability to act as a role model for youth.
- Current First Aid & CPR Certification.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

- Organizes the outpost room including all overnight supplies
- Plans and manages all trips outside of camp. Makes sure to communicate trips out of camp to the program director.
- Plans the overnights by placing campers and staff.
- Organizes all required gear for overnights.
- Communicate with the Camp Director on a daily basis about the needs of staff and campers and work to seek solutions to improve camp and camp programming.
- Serve as a good role model for camp behavior for staff and campers.
- Assume responsibility for the health, welfare, and safety of campers under their supervision.
- Provide coverage for cabin groups as needed.
- Rotates on-duty evenings with other Directors.
- Organizes staff, campers, and supplies for overnights.

WORKING CONDITIONS

- Physically able to accompany campers to and participate in all camp activities.
- Able to communicate verbally with campers and to provide instructions.
- Possess visual and auditory ability to respond to critical incidents and physical ability to act swiftly in emergency situations.
- Able to observe camper behavior, respond to health and safety concerns and deal appropriately with camper behavior.
- Able to work long hours including nights and weekends.

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- Able to work outdoors in varying weather conditions (rain, heat, etc) and live in a rustic outdoor setting.
- Able to follow all camp rules and YMCA policies and procedures as outlined in the Staff Handbook.
- May work at another camp location as needed.

This job description may not be all inclusive and employees are expected to perform all other duties as assigned and directed by management. Job descriptions and duties may be modified when deemed appropriate by management.

Employee Name: _____

Employee Signature: _____ **Date:** _____