

Camp Rodef Shalom

Floater Counselor



Location: Temple Rodef Shalom Falls Church, VA

Reports to: Division Supervisor

Background

Camp Rodef Shalom is a Jewish day camp in the heart of Falls Church, Virginia with over 50 years of history. With campers ranging in age from 4 to 15 years old, we offer a wide variety of activities and trips throughout the summer. Camp Rodef Shalom values inclusion and supports both campers and staff.

Position Summary:

Camp Rodef Shalom is seeking energetic, enthusiastic, fun and motivated floater counselors for all positions to join our staff this summer. This position is perfect for someone not available the full session. Floaters are an integral and valued part of our staff! They step in when a counselor is sick or a bunk needs an extra hand. Floater Counselors are community builders who will work together with our bunk counselors to create an amazing summer experience for all our campers. They should be able to lead their bunk, engage with campers and ensure all are involved, safe and enjoying camp!

Floater Counselor Positions:

- Assistant Counselor (must be 16)
- Head Counselor (must be 18)

Qualifications:

- See age requirements
- Complete Staff Training
- Experience working with children is preferred: must enjoy being around children while maintaining patience and high energy
- Maturity & professionalism: must be able to focus prioritize staff responsibility over socializing with peers
- Flexibility: must be a team-player and address problems as they arise
- Takes initiative to lead and open to new experiences, opportunities and feedback
- Must be able to participate in physical activity for the duration of the camp day: be on feet for most of the day, be outside in heat and sun, participate in activities, swim with campers in pool, etc.

Essential Responsibilities:

- Step in as the main supervisor of the camp bunk; instruct campers in daily routines, participate and lead daily camper activities and remain with majority of campers at all time
- Mentor bunk counselors: create a positive working environment, communicate with co-counselors and delegate jobs within bunk, ensure an appropriate ratio of campers at all times
- Prioritize camper safety: know where campers are at all times, observe camper behaviors and understand bunk dynamic, in case of serious injury take charge, delegate and stay with majority of campers, etc.
- Ensure an inclusive camp group where all campers feel welcome: create personal connections and opportunities for campers to get to know each other, eat lunch with campers, etc.
- Exhibit consistent role model behavior for campers and co-workers
- Mediate conflicts and difficult situations that may arise and report any concerns or incidents to Leadership Team