

PEACEKEEPER PARK ADVENTURE CAMP VOLUNTEER PACKAGE

SUMMER 2010

Peacekeeper Park
Lake Whitaker Conservation Area
Avon, Ontario

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in partnership with
The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Programme
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Dear Applicant

Thank you very much for your interest in joining our team of volunteers this summer. Peacekeeper Park Adventure Camp (PKPAC) is a great way to try something different and rewarding this summer.

A few housecleaning notes:

- ALL STAFF are here on a volunteer basis. We will be happy to provide a letter of recommendation for future job searches. We will also fill out any paper work needed for required volunteer hours (high school community service hours, Duke of Edinburgh)
- All staff over the age of 18, are required to get a criminal reference check. These can be completed at your local Ontario Provincial Police station. If you need a letter stating that you are a volunteer, we would be happy to provide you with one.
- We do require that you attend the mandatory pre-camp for staff from June 25, 26, 27, 2010 before the campers arrive. This allows for you to get to know the other volunteers that you are working with, and what will be expected of you at our camp.
- You will be provided with more information upon acceptance to the position, including staff code of conduct, oath of confidentiality etc.
- Please attach a copy of your current résumé and a list of 3 personal references along with your application.

Please be sure to fill out your application in full. Please be sure that you indicate the areas that you have experience in, so that we can be sure to place you in the best support area suited to your skills.

I look forward to meeting you in the near future to discuss your future at Peacekeeper Park Adventure Camp.

Send Staff Application to:
Peacekeeper Park Adventure Camp
c/o Bev Bast
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Strathroy, Ontario
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Bev Bast
Camp Director

Core Values

Caring, Respect, Honesty, Responsibility

Successful applicants for volunteer positions at Peacekeeper Park Adventure Camp (PKPAC) are committed to the personal growth and development of children and young adults with special needs. They have a background working with these age groups, and individuals with special needs. They are highly flexible and willing to learn and display strong work ethic. Successful applicants are also committed to achieving high quality outcomes.

PKPAC staff actively participates in all aspects of the camp's program, and give active and loyal support to the camp, its philosophy and objectives and abide by the camp's regulations and policies.

PKPAC staff use a supportive and professional manner when working with fellow staff members, campers and visitors. They also maintain a professional appearance that promotes positive values of good health and hygiene.

In consideration to the above PKPAC provides opportunities for the staff to excel within the position they hold at camp. Formal and informal feedback is provided throughout employment. The opportunity to express any concerns is also provided throughout employment.

All volunteers at PKPAC strive to:

- Communicate in a thorough, clear and timely manner,
- Uphold a safe environment where stakeholders understand, model and educate others regarding risk and harm reduction,
- Show initiative by doing the right thing at the right time without being asked,
- Demonstrate integrity through responsible behaviors at all times, maintain high ethical standards, and by participating actively with others, achieving goals set for themselves, and others on the team.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Program

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Program is an integral part of Peacekeeper Park. All volunteers 25 years of age and under will have the opportunity to register with the Award program.

Peacekeeper Park Special Needs Adventure Camp
Staff Application

Name:

Address:

City: _____ Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone Number (Home): (____) _____

Business: (____) _____

Cell: (____) _____

Email Address:

Date of Birth ____/____/____

Ontario Health Card _____ Version Code: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Name:

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number (Home): (____) _____

Business: (____) _____

Cell: (____) _____

Medical

Do you have any medical conditions that the camp director should be aware of?
Please attach a separate sheet marked "**CONFIDENTIAL**" to the Camp Director
if necessary.

- ⌚ Asthma
- ⌚ Epilepsy
- ⌚ Headaches
- ⌚ Diabetes
- ⌚ Vision Problems
- ⌚ Hearing Problems
- ⌚ Other: _____

Education

Last Grade Achieved in High School _____

Are you using your volunteer hours towards your high school diploma? ☑ Yes

☑ No

Are you using your volunteer hours towards The duke of Edinburgh's Award or as a Residential?

☑ Yes ☑ No

University Degree in Children or Social Services: Place asterisk (*) beside course if currently in school

☑ Social Work

☑ Education

☑ Psychology

☑ Other

College Diploma in Children or Social Services: Place school for it asterisk (*) beside course if currently in school

☑ Developmental Services Worker

☑ Early Childhood Educator

☑ Social Services Worker

☑ Child & Youth Worker

☑ Other

Relevant Certifications

☑ Standard First Aid Latest certification date _____

☑ Emergency First Aid Latest certification date _____

☑ Pharmacology Latest certification date _____

☑ CPR Latest certification date/level achieved _____

☑ Crisis Prevention Latest certification date/What Program _____

☑ Life Guard Latest certification date/level achieved _____

☑ ORCA certification Latest certification date/level achieved _____

☑ Hike Ontario Latest certification date/level achieved _____

☑ The Duke of Edinburgh's Award: Level Achieved _____

Do you have a past criminal record that may affect your ability to volunteer at Peacekeeper Park?

☑ Yes ☑ No If yes, please attach a separate piece of paper with details marked "CONFIDENTIAL" to the camp director.

*****If you are over the age of 18, a current police check is required to be submitted to the director of Peacekeeper Park Adventure Camp upon acceptance of service** If you have handed one in previously, it is good for 5 years unless circumstances have changed.***

Employment

Employment in Developmental Services

Occupation if not in Social Services:

Experience With Camping Programs (list roles and duties)

Past experience with children with developmental/emotional/physical needs:

Why do you want to help out at Peacekeeper Park Adventure Camp?

What contributions do you feel that you can make to the camp?

What do you feel are your personal strengths that you can contribute to the camp?

ACTIVITY QUALIFICATIONS

Please check ☑ if you are able to participate, are proficient in or able to instruct in each activity.

Activity	Participate	Proficient	Able to Instruct
Abseiling	☑	☑	☑
Archery	☑	☑	☑
Arts & Crafts	☑	☑	☑
Baseball	☑	☑	☑
Basic Camping	☑	☑	☑
Campfire Programs	☑	☑	☑
Canoeing	☑	☑	☑
Cooperative Games	☑	☑	☑
Drama	☑	☑	☑
Environmental	☑	☑	☑
Fishing	☑	☑	☑
Hiking	☑	☑	☑
Knots & Lashings	☑	☑	☑
Leadership Training	☑	☑	☑
Nature	☑	☑	☑
Orienteering	☑	☑	☑
Outdoor Cooking	☑	☑	☑
Rainy Day Activities	☑	☑	☑
Song Leading	☑	☑	☑
Story Telling	☑	☑	☑
Other _____	☑	☑	☑
Other _____	☑	☑	☑

Please expand on experience in particular skills:

Camp Dates (Please check availability)

- ⌚ **MANDATORY** PRE-CAMP June 25, 26. 27, 2010
- ⌚ WEEK ONE: July 2-11, 2010
- ⌚ WEEK TWO: July 10 - 17, 2010 (if we have bad weather for tear down we might ask you to stay until the 18th if possible)

What area are you looking to work?

- ⌚ Support Staff (Camp maintenance, Set up, tear down of camp, daily assigned jobs)
- ⌚ Nursing / First Aid
- ⌚ Sr. Instructor (Based on qualifications and age)
- ⌚ Jr. Instructor (Based on qualifications and age)
- ⌚ Night Time Awakes (for supervision)
- ⌚ Weekend Relief (To allow staff time off)

In what other ways would you be able to help us?

Please specify, if you can, any dates that you are NOT available for the camp

Please Note-- There may be times when staff are required or choose to go off grounds for camp related issues or personal reasons (time off). All staff are required to speak to the Camp Director if they are leaving the park at any time. If the staff is under the age of 18, we will require a signed parental consent. All times off the park will be fully supervised by a Sr. Instructor.

I herby allow my son/daughter to leave Peacekeeper Park Grounds and Lake Whittaker Conservation Area for camp related issues, or a personal day off.

Parents Signature _____

Date: _____

I herby state that all information that I have filled out is true about me.

Applicant Signature _____

Date: _____