

Blessed Sacrament Church
Summer Camp

“Our Children are the Future”

Thank you for your interest in Blessed Sacrament Church Summer Camp. God continues to bless us and make each year better than the year before. We know that He uses the efforts of wonderful counselors who give their time and their lives to make camp special for the girls who come each summer. Without the counselors camp would not be possible.

We take very seriously our responsibility and commitment to the campers as well as to you a prospective staff member. We know that a summer is a precious thing. We want to meet your expectations for this summer and, while doing so, make camp better than ever for the campers. The application will give us a frame of reference for who you are. When we do our job right from the start, you end up cherishing your time here. Camp can be much more than a summer job; it is a platform to have significant impact on the lives of the campers as well as a lifelong reference point and a springboard for lasting friendships with other counselors. We are responsible to the campers and to their parents to ensure their children are led by Christians of character and commitment. You may have the opportunity to be the kind of role model that parents would be proud to have involved in the lives of their children.

Camp is a lot of fun. There is no need to be an expert; your attitude will determine your success. Enthusiasm and your own enjoyment of camp are what set the mood. This is the way to truly experience camp as it takes the first part of the summer to really learn camp and how to be most effective in your ministry. You will leave with a deep sense of satisfaction after investing this kind of time into the lives of the campers. There will be staff training period before the campers arrive which you are required to attend.

We will get back in touch with you very soon after you send us your application. We will arrange an interview face to face. Checking references takes time, but we will get back in touch as soon as possible.

Camp Counselor Hours are 8:30 AM to 3:30* Monday through Friday. (*later on trip days) from 7/1/2019 – 8/2/2019. There is a mandatory counselor orientation held on Thursday, June 27, 2019 – Friday, June 28, 2019 @ 9:00AM – 12:30PM.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this application thoughtfully and honestly. We appreciate your willingness to do so and look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Karen A. Soares-Robinson

Job Description for Blessed Sacrament Summer Camp Counselor

Qualifications:

- Loves kids
- Demonstrated experience working with children
- Ability to teach and lead various recreational activities
- Excellent character, reliability and adaptability
- Ability to communicate and work with children
- The desire and ability to work in a cooperative, team-oriented atmosphere
- Enthusiasm, sense of humor, patience and self-control
- Need to be available for training which will be announced.
- Available 8:30am-3:30pm, Monday – Friday from July 5 thru July 28, 2017. You will be required to stay counselor meetings.

Counselor Responsibilities

- Take primary responsibility for the health, well-being and happiness of campers
- Learn the likes and dislikes of each camper
- Recognize and respond to opportunities for group problem solving
- Provide opportunities for the group so that each individual experiences success while at camp
- Encourage respect for personal property, camp equipment and facilities
- Set a good example for campers in all areas, including cleanliness, punctuality, clean-up chores, rules, and sportsmanship
- Guide campers in participating successfully in all aspects of camp activities
- Supervise, assist instructors and actively participate in all aspects of the campers' day.
- Observe camper behavior, assess its appropriateness, enforce appropriate safety regulations and emergency procedures and apply appropriate behavior-management techniques
- Prepare for and actively participate in pre-camp training and weekly meetings
- Meet/communicate regularly with Director regarding concerns, updates, challenges
- Submit all required paperwork on time

AND THE THREE MOST IMPORTANT QUALITIES YOU MUST POSSESS...

- Tons of energy (and we mean tons!!)
- A willingness to make a fool of yourself for the sake of making a kid smile
- A desire to have fun!!!!

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Name _____ D.O.B _____

Local Address _____

Permanent Address _____

Phone (h) _____ (c) _____ Parent/Guardian Name _____

For Emergency Call _____ Phone _____

Please list previous work experience:

1. _____	4. _____
2. _____	5. _____
3. _____	6. _____

Please list 3 References that we may contact, who do not live with you:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Position or Relationship:</u>	<u>Phone #:</u>	<u>Email:</u>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____

Do you have any certifications (i.e. babysitting, CPR, first aid)

Do you have any allergies or medical needs ___ Yes ___ No *(please explain)*

IN THE SPACE PROVIDED PLEASE ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS.

1. What characteristics do you possess which would make you a good counselor/instructor?
2. Why do you want to work for the Kids Rule Summer Camp?
3. Describe your leadership background (include your own personal philosophy of leadership)?
4. Give your definition of teamwork. Then describe how important this concept is in the framework of a summer camp.
5. What are some of the benefits that summer camp can/should add to a camper's life?
6. If there was one word that could sum up what summer camp means to you. What would it be?
7. Do you have any other commitments from June 27, 2019 through August 2, 2019? If so, would it interfere with your work schedule?