Summer Camp Counselor
Salary $63 to $68 per day, DOE (Room & Board provided)
Full Time: Seasonal Position June 1 – July 31, 2020
Sierra Nevada Journeys’ Grizzly Creek Ranch, Portola, California

Sierra Nevada Journeys is committed to seeking and sustaining a diverse workplace, and to the principles that promote inclusive practices and equity.

Our program participants reflect the diversity within our communities, and we value the same on our staff. Sierra Nevada Journeys knows that it will take a team of people with a variety of perspectives and experiences to train the next generation of science-literate leaders and environmental stewards, and we’re committed to building that team and nurturing an inclusive organizational culture to strengthen it. Though we come from all sorts of places, what bonds the Sierra Nevada Journeys team is a deep commitment to our participants and the professionalism we use to fulfill our mission.

For more information about us, visit sierranevadajourneys.org.

JOB DESCRIPTION
Sierra Nevada Journeys summer camp counselors are our campers’ favorite part of summer! We provide a home away from home where our counselors are free to stretch their comfort zone, grow in ways they never knew possible, and discover the joy of summer camp. Our counselors have the unique opportunity to learn and lead their cabin group through a variety of fun-filled activities such as archery, swimming, kayaking, campfires, large group games, mealtime songs, and skits. Whether spending the night in your cabin or under the stars, counselors foster community with their cabin group by offering support and intentional daily reflection. Every week is different at camp and our counselors provide creativity, pizzazz, and laughter to our camp community. Sierra Nevada Journeys provides counselors the opportunity to grow their skills in group management, age-appropriate programming, and safety and supervision.

The counselors will undergo a two-week training in preparation for summer camp. The training encompasses protocols and procedures as well as games, bonding, and goofiness. Counselors are guided and supervised by the Summer and Specialty Camps Manager. Our staff form close, lifelong friendships that last long after summer camp is over.

Join a team that is committed to constantly improving our outstanding programs and creating an excellent experience for kids!

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RESPONSIBILITIES
• Create a positive and safe camp community for staff and campers
• Provide daytime and overnight supervision to Sierra Nevada Journeys’ summer campers
• Facilitate and participate in all summer camp programming
• Be able to work collaboratively and timely in program delivery
• Maintain knowledge of camp schedule, programs, and protocols and procedures
• Lead and encourage mealtime efficiency
• Learn and facilitate large group camp songs and skits
• Clean cabins, inventory program supplies, and participate in debriefs after each program
• And any other duties needed to help drive to our vision, fulfill our mission, and abide by our organization’s values

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS
• Participate and successfully complete required pre-summer camp training
• A passion for working with children and making a difference
• Leadership experience or experience working with kids
• Ability to work irregular hours, days and nights in order to meet camp needs
• Ability to take initiative, work collaboratively, and have a positive “can-do” attitude
• Willingness to get outside of your comfort zone and try new things, such as being 30 feet off the ground on a challenge course
• Minimum 18-years-old
• Ability to pass a background check
• Ability to lift up to 30 pounds
• Current CPR and First Aid certification, or willingness to obtain certification before start date

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS
• Competitive salary (depends on experience) and housing with most meals provided
• Home-base for living, working, exploring, and recreating in the beautiful Sierra Valley
• Dynamic work environment
• Employment with an innovative company focused on improving outdoor education delivery
• Paid training
• Eligibility for pro-deals (discounts) for many outdoor gear companies
• Professional development opportunities

HOW TO APPLY
Please visit https://www.sierranevadajourneys.org/jobs to apply online. Link to online application: https://snj.formstack.com/forms/employment_application_gcrsummercounselors_2020

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