



## Girls Quest Camp Oh-Neh-Tah Lifeguard/Waterfront staff Job Description

### **JOB SUMMARY**

Lifeguards/Waterfront staff instruct campers in daily swim lessons as well as guard them. They also teach campers and guard them in all boating programs. They enforce a strict waterfront safety policy. Aquatics Staffers must hold current Lifeguard certification in waterfront areas. The waterfront at Camp Oh-Neh-Tah is the most active and popular area of camp. Lifeguards/Waterfront Staffers oversee Instructional and Free Swim periods along with boating which are scheduled daily. They also oversee additional early morning and evening dips, and evening staff swims. Lifeguards/ Waterfront Staffers may be housed with the camper population and are a part of daily camp life. Although they have close contact with their own cabin group of 8-10 campers, along with 2 additional Cabin Counselors, who are the primary care giver, they work with the entire camper population. Alternative housing is also available.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Create a meaningful swimming/boating experience for all campers with safety and experience in mind
- Design and implement lesson plans for the various swimming skills of campers
- Supervise all activities at the waterfront
- Prepare reports and evaluations as necessary
- Take responsibility for the organization, cleanliness and safety of the waterfront area
- Keep an on-going inventory of equipment and inform Aquatics Director and/or Program Director of needs
- Communicate with the Program Director any concerns regarding the program, staff or campers
- Assist with daily cabin activities, rest periods, meals, community service, overnights, etc.
- Along with Cabin Counselor, supervise the health and safety regulations for members of the cabin group
- Be willing to step out of your personal comfort zone or box
- Attend and participate in all continued training and staff meetings
- Be adaptive and respectful of all camp participants and the camp environment
- Maintain open communication with all staff
- Help maintain camp spirit

### **QUALIFICATIONS FOR ALL STAFF**

- Desire to work and live in the outdoors for two (2) weeks in upstate New York
- Maturity, good moral character, and integrity
- Understanding and liking of children; knowledge of behavioral issues a plus
- Patience and sensitivity to the needs of children
- Willingness to work as a team player for the benefit of the girls entrusted to our care
- Willingness to forgo significant use of technology except during unscheduled times

- Acceptable Health Exam and current Immunization Record
- Attend mandatory Training Session at camp prior to campers' arrival

**QUALIFICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS**

- Must be at least 18 years of age and a high school graduate
- Must have or be able to acquire current ARC Lifeguarding /Waterfront Certification, along with ARC CPR Pro and ARC Waterfront 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Certifications

**NOTE:** Sleeping cabins are rustic, but have electricity and are adjacent to sanitation facilities. Laundry services available to staff. Bedding provided but recommend you bring your sleeping bag.

**TO APPLY**

Go to [campohnehtah.org](http://campohnehtah.org) and click on Join our Team for our online Camp Staff Application.

If you have any questions please contact us at: [campdirector@girlsquest.org](mailto:campdirector@girlsquest.org)

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