

Head Camp Counselor Job Description

Description

[Cancer Pathways \(formerly Gilda's Club\)](#), based in Seattle, Washington, offers programs of education and support for individuals, families, teens and children impacted by cancer. Programs are offered in Washington State and nationally with collaborating partners in varied locations such as hospitals, community centers and schools. Our mission is to ensure no one has to face cancer alone.

Cancer Pathways is looking for three highly enthusiastic and motivated persons to serve as our Head Camp Counselors at our summer camp for children impacted by cancer, [Camp Sparkle](#). Camp Sparkle is a free week-long day camp for children with a loved one with cancer or children with their own cancer diagnosis. We serve 150 children and teens every summer in Seattle, Tacoma, Bellevue and Everett. In the summer of 2019, Camp Sparkle will run 5 weeks of camp in our varied locations. The Head Counselors will be responsible for developing relationships with our campers and junior counselors and leading them through planned camp activities. This is a fantastic job for someone with their own cancer experience looking to give back to the community!

Key Job responsibilities:

- Be responsible for 6-8 campers and lead them through planned group activities.
- Supervise and manage volunteer counselors and junior counselors who will be assigned to your camper group for additional support.
- Know and understand the safety policy associated with the camp program to keep campers and junior counselors safe.
- Be responsible for your campers' safety and their whereabouts at all times.
- Understand and utilize camp behavioral policies and procedures.
- Bring enthusiasm and energy each day!
- Communicate with parents about camper's experiences and report concerns to Camp Leadership.
- Be ready and willing to model active participation in all camp activities.
- Understand and respect the Camp Sparkle philosophy.

Additional Qualifications

- Completion of at least one year of undergraduate education required.
- Previous summer camp or classroom experience desired.
- Ability to relate well to diverse populations in a compassionate and respectful manner.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Creativity, excellent organizational skills, and willing to be a team player.
- Access to transportation and willingness to attend camps in Seattle, Tacoma, Everett and Bellevue.
- Full-time availability late June-August, 2019. Some flexibility on non-camp weeks.
- First-aid certification required, training will be provided if you don't have current certification.

Salary: DOE, full-time position and mileage reimbursement.

Email cover letter and resume to maddie@cancerpathways.org