Position: Summer Youth Activity Program Counselor
Pay Rate: $8.50 per hour
Supervisor: Assistant Director, Summer Youth Activity Program

Job Description:
The goal for Summer Youth Activity Program (SYAP) Counselors is to provide all of the individuals who are involved with SYAP a unique, valuable and fun experience. Counselors are expected to anticipate potential problems, contribute as a team member alongside fellow counselors, and endeavor to create a culture that reflects the overarching values, beliefs, and ethics of those associated with SYAP. This position requires critical thinking skills, and the ability to work independently.

Specific Responsibilities:
• Serve as a representative of the University, displaying courtesy, tact, consideration, and discretion in all interactions with other members of the Rice Community.
• Supervise the children throughout the day. This includes being responsible for the calm transition from activity to activity (especially through the lobby and locker room).
• Assist the Lead Counselors and Instructors with the supervision and organization of all Breaks and Lunch times.
• Assist the Instructor with all class activities.
• Assist in maintaining a safe environment for children.
• Help maintain a high standard of conduct for the children (including help with behavior modification strategies, disciplinary action)
• Nominate campers for awards.
• Perform other summer duties as assigned by the Director.

Minimum Qualifications:
• Must have experience with and enthusiasm for working with children.
• Must have general knowledge of physical activities and sports.
• Must be able to think independently and make decisions for everyday and emergency situations.
• Ability to communicate and work with a variety of age and skill levels
• Must have a positive attitude and interact well with SYAP participants, parents, and co-workers.
• Enthusiasm, sense of humor, patience and self-control
• Must have the ability to complete Basic First Aid, CPR and AED (training provided).