

# **Black Rock Summer Camp Job Description**

**Position:** Wilderness Instructor

**Responsible To:** Program Unit Leaders

## **General Qualifications:**

1. Has a personal relationship with Jesus Christ showing evidence of an active growing faith.
2. Demonstrates a genuine love for working with youth 7-17 years of age.
3. Desires to serve the Lord by teaching youth more about our Creator.
4. Able to provide campers with a model of Christ-centered living.
5. Exhibits servant-oriented leadership in heart, attitude, and behavior (Phil. 2:5-8).
6. Is willing to be accountable to others, being guided by regulations established for daily work, group living, and personal conduct.
7. Exhibits spiritual and emotional maturity.
8. Able to be active throughout the day and willing to work hard.
9. Is in agreement with Black Rock's philosophy and policies and desires to serve the Lord by following our motto, "To Know Christ And Make Him Known."
10. Is trained or willing to be trained in standard first aid and CPR.

## **Specific Qualifications:**

1. Possesses patience and the ability to teach and instruct youth.
2. Has experience, education, training, and/or the ability to lead and teach campers in camping skills, wilderness survival skills, fire building, fishing, shelter building, orienteering and GPS skills, plants and animals, ecology, conservation, or other miscellaneous related activities in a safe manner.
3. Exhibits a genuine love for the outdoors.
4. Feels comfortable handling and caring for animals in the nature center.
5. Is at least one year out of high school and a minimum of 18 years of age.

## **General Responsibilities:**

1. Spend time with the Lord every day.
2. Know and uphold the standards and boundaries laid out in the Child Protection Policy.
3. Plan and teach wilderness classes.
4. Advise your supervisor of any purchase needs.
5. Supervise the use, inventory, and maintenance of all wilderness and camp out equipment.
6. Encourage and foster interest, respect, and good stewardship for God's creation.
7. Assume primary responsibility for coordinating the weekly cabin campout event.
8. Assist any counselors needing help during campout.
9. Work with the Outdoor Education Director in proper use and care of the Nature Center and its equipment and animals.
10. Assist in the feeding of the animals in the Nature Center as directed.
11. Construct campfires for evening Vespers services as needed.

12. Clean and inventory wilderness and campout supplies/equipment at the end of the summer.
13. Assist with maintaining safe, clear hiking trails and paths throughout camp.
14. Assist with any program related activities as directed by the Program Unit Leaders.
15. Attend staff meetings, devotions, meals, vespers, and **ALL** camp activities.
16. Be flexible, available, and willing to help out in other areas of the camp program.
17. Be self-motivated, a self-starter, and foresee areas where you can help out.

### **Specific Responsibilities:**

1. Plan and conduct wilderness classes during the morning activity periods and orient campers to safety procedures pertaining to each particular activity. These classes may focus on a variety wilderness/nature education topics including but not limited to camping & wilderness survival skills, environmental conservation, wildlife biology, orienteering and GPS skills. All plans must be approved by the Activities Program Unit Leader.
2. Plan and implement an optional afternoon wilderness/nature elective activity for campers to participate in during afternoon free time as scheduled.
3. Prepare and inventory equipment for cabin campout each week, join one of the cabins for supper, and coordinate the reorganizing and cleaning of supplies as the counselors bring them back in the morning.
4. Make plans for alternate class activities in the event of rain or foul weather.
5. Repair malfunctioning equipment or report any maintenance needs to the Maintenance List that you are unable to do. Communicate expectations of equipment care to the counselors. They are responsible for their cabin equipment.
6. Clean and inventory wilderness and campout supplies and equipment at the beginning and end of the summer. Make sure they are properly stored, and that the wilderness area is cleaned up.
7. Assist in the registration line on Sunday afternoons.
8. Assist with setting up for and helping with all-camp activities as delegated by the Program Unit Leaders.
9. Assist in the afternoon and evening Snack Shop as scheduled or requested.
10. Be the cabin inspector, event leader, etc. when scheduled.
11. Be at **ALL** games and activities to interact with campers and add enthusiasm unless you have a scheduled class for that time or have received permission to be absent from your supervisor.
12. Be able and willing to assist in other areas of camp as needed.