

YMCA of the Greater Twin Cities Volunteer Opportunity

Title: Northern Lights Resource Family
Manager's Title: Executive Director
Camp Location: Camp Northern Lights (Babbitt, MN)
Date: Summer 2021

1. Job Summary:

Welcome campers through creating a positive and inclusive atmosphere by assisting the staff in making campers feel comfortable. Make special effort to acclimate new Northern Lights families to camp experience. Assist with program preparation and operation.

2. Essential Functions: (Key Responsibilities)

- Assist staff during sign-ups
- Design, implement, and facilitate adult age group programs
- Plan programs with specific objectives and help facilitate one service project per week for campers
- Monitor and provide assistance to boaters whenever at boating area
- Supervise and monitor Big & Little Dippers at the Sisu Beach
- Assist with cabin greeting and check in on campers – especially those who are new to Camp Northern Lights

Requirements:

- Attend staff meeting and Resource Family meetings prior to campers arrival
- Week long availability from Saturday to Sunday
- At least 1 year as previous Northern Lights Camper or Participant
- Volunteer application
- Signed Code of Conduct

3. Typical Physical Demands:

- Typical day is 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with later nights possible depending on the level of involvement of the resource family members.
- Physical strength and endurance that are required to complete the tasks related to the job. Must be able to lift and carry 35 lbs. over varied and hilly terrain.
- Must be able to discern emergency situations visually and audibly.

5. Additional Notes:

Housing for the resource families is provided. Space is limited to 6 people per unit:

- Haukka is a full-facility cabin located in Sisu Village near the Lodge.

Preferred Experience:

- Outdoor Camping and Cooking
- Paddling
- Knowledge of Bear Island Lake and nearby trail systems
- Fishing
- Yoga / Pilates / Fitness Instruction
- Hiking

This volunteer description represents the major functions of the position but is not intended to be all-inclusive. The resource family is also responsible for taking direction from the Executive Director and the Program Director or their representatives in completing projects or performing duties deemed necessary for the camp success.