Department: St. Mary's County Recreation and Parks

Division: Therapeutic Recreation

Position: TR Instructor I

Position #: 59400

Rate: \$15.00 – \$18.83/hr depending on qualifications

Job Location: Varied R&P facilities

Hours: Part time, varies (1-3 classes per week)

Supervision

Supervisor: Therapeutic Instructor II

General statement of duties

To assist the Therapeutic Instructor II with the implementation and supervision of programs aimed at promoting health and wellbeing, positivity and inclusivity for youth, teens and/or adults with disabilities.

Essential Responsibilities

- Take leadership role in absence of TR Instructor II
- Aide in the assessment of all program participants needs and strengths for individualized instruction.
- Actively supervise program participants, maintain behavior protocols and complete all required paperwork, including behavior, incident and accident reports.
- Enforce rules of safety associated with specific programs and Recreation & Parks facilities and policies.
- Acts as a positive role model for the individuals in the program and as an advocate of inclusion.
- Maintain healthy and positive relationships with program participants and provide motivational support and guidance as needed.
- Maintain program materials in a clean and organized manner and provide a safe and healthy environment for all participants.
- Assist the TR Instructor II carry out goals, themes, and schedule of the program to provide a consistent and high-quality experience.
- Provide creative ideas to accommodate and modify the program as needed based on participant needs.
- Assist in the implementation of age and developmentally appropriate activities.
- Work closely with the TR Instructor II regarding the scheduling of programs.

Job Specifications

Minimum Qualifications:

- At least 18 years of age
- At least 4 years of experience in disability or related field

<u>Note</u>: Any equivalent combination of education and experience, which has provided the knowledge, skills and abilities, cited in this job description may be considered.



Required knowledge and skills:

- Must be able to assist in the delivery of program material in a satisfying and successful manner that best benefits the customer's individual needs.
- Ability to be flexible in schedule and personal objectives. Highly motivated advocate for persons with disabilities.
- Ability to communicate with a wide range of professionals and the general public.

Additional Requirements:

An acceptable general background investigation to include a Federal, local and state criminal history, and a sex offender registry check. Individuals in this position cannot be listed as having a founded child abuse or neglect complaint and must pass a CPS check.

Physical Requirements:

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to stand; walk; sit; use hands to finger, handle, or feel; reach with hands and arms; and talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to climb or balance and stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to taste or smell. The employee must regularly lift and/or move up to 50 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, peripheral vision, and ability to adjust focus.

Benefits to working for Recreation and Parks:

- Health and sick leave benefits may be provided for positions working required total hours.
- Opportunities for advancement upon completing college coursework and gaining experience.

Site Locations:

Varies

To Apply:

Complete the Recreation and Parks application form found at www.stmaryscountymd.gov/docs/jobapplication.pdf

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