



Department: St. Mary's County Recreation and Parks
Division: Therapeutic Recreation
Position: Water Safety Instructor (WSI) – TR Instructor II
Position #: 59401
Rate: \$16.68-\$22.37/hr depending on qualifications
Job Location: Wellness & Aquatics, Leonardtown and/or Great Mills Pool, Great Mills
Hours: Part time, varies

Supervision:

Supervisor: Program Coordinator / Pool Manager / Facility Supervisor

Supervises: TR Aides / Pool patrons / Swimmers

General statement of duties

To provide Red Cross certified swim lessons to members of the public with various disabilities, spanning across multiple age groups. Provide direct supervision and leadership to participants of the Therapeutic Recreation Adaptive Aquatics program.

Essential Responsibilities:

- Teach Red Cross swim lesson curriculum material in a class or individual pool setting, with accommodations and modifications as necessary.
- Come prepared for each lesson.
- To work closely with the Program Coordinator regarding the scheduling of lessons.
- To stay in close contact with participants regarding cancelations and work closely with the coordinator and or pool manager.
- Upholds policies, procedures, standards and code of conduct.
- Participates in staff meetings, trainings and special events as scheduled.
- Acts as a positive role model for the individuals in the program and as an advocate of inclusion.
- Implements and maintains class schedule as appropriate.
- Maintains aquatic materials in a clean and organized manner.
- Plan and implement scheduled sessions, ensuring materials and equipment are ready and participants are actively participating in all activities.
- Carry out goals, themes, and schedule of the program to provide a consistent and high-quality experience.
- To provide creative ideas to accommodate and modify the program as needed based on participant needs.
- Develop and implement age and developmentally appropriate activities.
- Oversee and provide assignments to TR Aides as needed for the program.
- Direct supervision of participants.
- Other duties as assigned.

Job Specifications:

Minimum Qualifications:

- Red Cross Certified WSI
- 2 year degree in Special Education or related field OR 4 years disability experience

Required knowledge and skills:

- Must keep WSI skills up to date.
- Must be able to deliver swim lessons in a satisfying and successful manner that best benefits the customer's individual needs.
- Must be knowledgeable of various disabling conditions and how they affect the individual and their aquatic abilities.
- Must remain in good physical health.
- Strong planning and organizational skills required.
- Ability to be flexible in schedule and personal objectives. Highly motivated advocate for persons with disabilities.

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:

- Voluntary benefits include a supplementary retirement savings plan and flexible spending account plans (dependent on working required number of hours) as well as employee assistance program.
- Health and sick leave benefits may be provided for positions working the required total hours.
- Opportunities for advancement upon completing college coursework and gaining experience.

Site Locations:

Wellness & Aquatics, Leonardtown and/or Great Mills Pool, Great Mills

To Apply:

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

Contact:

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