# **HEAD COUNSELOR JOB DESCRIPTION**



# Mission of San Pedro Summer Camp

At San Pedro Summer Camp (SPSC), campers are transformed by faith, friends and fun. Campers grow not only in knowledge of the Catholic faith but in their desire to live out their faith in word and deed. In a safe, fun-filled and exciting environment they become more aware of God's presence in creation, self, and others.

#### What's the Job?

As an SPSC Head Counselor, you will be planning, coordinating, and facilitating camp activities while providing guidance and leadership to the campers personal and spiritual growth. You will...

- Immerse yourself in a faith-based, mission-centered environment.
- Work on a team of peers to provide a summer of faith, friends and fun for our campers.
- Be a role model to not only campers, but also fellow counselors in your behavior, modeling Catholic values.
- Bring high energy and enthusiasm to the everyday life of camp.
- Assist in the leadership of counselors in the family group setting, taking responsibility for their safety at camp and guiding discussions to help them grow in their spiritual life.
- Take responsibility for additional duties to assist the Assistant Camp Director in camp operations.
- Organize, facilitate and participate in camp games, ice breakers, and other activities.
- Represent the camp with professionalism when interacting with parents or community members.

### What's it take?

To be an SPSC Head Counselor, you must...

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a practicing Catholic
- · Be able to give a witness or teaching relating to our Catholic faith
- Be able to obtain or become certified in First Aid/CPR (provided by San Pedro)
- Be able to complete safe environment training and background checks (provided by San Pedro)
- Be able to guide other counselors in camp activities and lead small group discussions
- Be able to interact with all age levels, from age 5-17
- · Be able to respond efficiently and appropriately in emergency situations
- Be able to work all weeks of camp and assist during counselor training

#### Qualities/skills of a successful counselor:

- · Passionate about the Catholic faith and our camp mission
- Willingness to take initiative
- Active listener and effective communicator
- Optimistic attitude
- Flexible and adaptable to change
- Reliable
- · Safety focused at all times

# Who are you working with?

You will work closely on a team that consists of fellow counselors, counselors-in-training, Assistant Camp Director, volunteer coordinator, Camp Director, and nurse. You will report directly to the Assistant Camp Director and Camp Director. In this team dynamic, you will be collaborating, problem-solving, and working together to ensure that camp runs smoothly all summer.