



Richmond Centre for Disability

“Promoting a new perspective on disability”

VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: 2015 Summer Camp Volunteer

Participant Group: Children and Youth ages 6 to 16 with various disabilities

Location: Garratt Wellness Centre Kitchen, 7504 Chelsea Plan, Richmond, BC

Purpose of Position: To assist summer camp staff in implementing activities and supervising participants

Risk Level: medium risk level

Time Commitment: Monday to Friday inclusive from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for 1 to 6 weeks (July 6 – August 14)

We ask volunteers to sign up for the whole week if possible.

Duties/Responsibilities:

- Assist in implementing various activities spanning arts and crafts, music, and sports
- Supervise one to two participants for the duration of the camp day, supporting campers to take part in daily activities and providing hands-on assistance as needed
- Provide feedback to camp staff regarding any issue from individual campers to general camp operations

Skills/Qualifications:

- Caring and patient attitude, with sensitivity towards campers' challenges
- Strong communication and interpersonal skill with extensive teamwork experience
- Ability to follow through with staff directions to the fullest
- Willingness to speak up if problems arise

Boundaries/Limitations: ALWAYS put self or camper's safety into consideration, respect privacy and personal space, keep personal and camp information confidential

Orientation/Training: Interview (new volunteers only), volunteer and sensitivity training

Supervision and Evaluation: supervised by camp coordinators, regular formal and informal evaluation

Benefits: an opportunity to meet new people, promote and inspire confidence in children with special needs, and to have a fun and fulfilling summer experience