## Lifeguard

7 weeks grant dependent

**RESPONSIBLE TO:** Waterfront Leader

Summer Camp Director week preceding camp start

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Commitment to the Christian aims and purposes of the Camp.
- Current National Lifeguard Service Award (NLS).
- Knowledge of water sports and safety, including canoeing and kayaking
- Belief in the individual worth of the camper
- Strong communication and conflict resolution skills and the ability to work collaboratively with others.
- Emotionally mature and willing to accept responsibility
- Ability to supervise participants in waterfront activities.
- Ability to relate to and interact well with children.
- Must be at least 17 years of age.

## **Specific Responsibilities:**

- Assist Waterfront Leader with planning, supervising, and implementing waterfront activities.
- Assist with supervision and care of all camp equipment, including cleanup, storage and security.
- Assist in emergency situations according to NLS and Accreditation standards.
- Assist with set up of the waterfront at beginning of summer and maintain cleanliness of all equipment throughout summer.
- Evaluate campers as to their swimming ability before participating in water activities. Identify non-swimmers with a coloured wristband.
- Ensure the swimming area is clearly marked, clean and free of hazards.
- Have a cell phone or two-way radio on out trips to activate emergency team if necessary.
- Perform and record a daily check of waterfront and supplies to ensure they are in good working order. Remove lifejackets in disrepair.
- Teach, demonstrate, and enforce waterfront rules and emergency procedures to all staff, volunteers, and campers at the beginning of each camp.
- Assist Waterfront Leader in maintaining high standards of safety and health at the waterfront in accordance with the BCCA accreditation standards and the Camp Owaissi Waterfront Manual.
- Seek advice, guidance, and assistance from Waterfront Leader in resolving issues.
- Wear an identifiable lifeguard shirt when on duty.

- Provide evaluation report for Lifeguard position with recommended changes, by Aug. 31st of camp year, to Camp Director.
- Attend morning meetings.
- Ability to assist the Waterfront Leader when teaching canoeing.
- Available to sleep in a cabin to supervise campers overnight if necessary.
- Participate in planning and implementing evening program as directed by the Summer Camp Director.
- 3-5pm Fridays all staff are expected to clean and ready the camp for the following session by participating in some maintenance/janitorial work.
- Responsible for end of season clean up duties as directed by the Camp Director and according to Camp procedures and policies.

## **Essential Functions:**

- Work and participate as a team member with other staff in all aspects of camp life.
- Visually observe behavior of campers in your care, and report any concerns to Waterfront Leader.
- Visually identify hazards in your program area, and respond appropriately.
- Be able to work and communicate well with a variety of age groups.
- Actively participate in every aspect of camp life when duties allow.
- Have a high standard for the care of your personal possessions and be tidy in your personal living space and those of others.