

Summer Day Camp Counselor Employment Information

Dear Summer Staff Applicant,

Thank you for applying for a position at the Bell Family YMCA! We are currently looking for responsible and dedicated staff to help make this a spectacular summer for our campers. If you think you would be a valuable addition to our team, I encourage you to fill out this application packet and return it to the YMCA Front Desk as soon as possible!

To make the application process as simple as possible, we have included everything you need in this packet. Make sure to read through the information carefully and contact me with any questions you may have.

What to do with your applications:

- 1. <u>Fill out the YMCA application</u>. Please be sure to list the positions you are applying for and provide us with accurate contact information. Also, be sure to completely lit your previous employment experiences, including the names and numbers of you former supervisors.
- 2. <u>Fill out the summer applicant information form</u>. This form in invaluable to us as we sort through the numerous applications, we receive each summer, so please put some time, and thought into your answers.
- 3. <u>Turn in your completed applications</u>. You can so this at the front desk, through e-mail, or regular mail. Completed forms can be sent to the Bell Family YMCA, 281 Opal Street Ext. Hartwell, GA 30643, Attn: Amy Wilder or <u>amy@qapiedmontymca.orq</u>.

Once you have turned in your application, it will be reviewed by the Camp Director. The most qualified applicants will be contacted for an interview.

On the back of this letter is a list of frequently asked questions about summer staff positions. I hope it can answer any questions you have. If not, feel free to contact me by phone at (706)856-9299 or by email at amy@qapiedmontymca.org.

Hope to see you this summer!

Sincerely, Amy Wilder Youth Programs Director

Get the F.A.Q.s

Frequently Asked Questions about YMCA Summer Staff Positions

Q. What are the hours like?

A. All Counselors should expect to work 19–30 hours per week. Typically, much of your week will be spent working directly with children and the rest is spent planning future activities, gathering equipment and supplies, performing administrative tasks, and talking to parents.

All counselors are expected to be flexible with the days and times they are available to work. Lead Counselors must be 18 & older with High School Diploma. Counselors must be at least 16 yrs. of age. Typical lead counselor shifts will be 8 am-5 pm (hours are subject to change). Counselors typically work 6:30 am –1pm or 12 pm—6pm (hours are subject to change).

Q. What do you look for in a candidate?

- A. We look for people who can be positive role models for our campers, and who are dedicated to the idea of providing them with an enriching camp experience. Some of the key things we look for are:
- A. Preferably 18 or older (college experience is a plus)
- B Experience working with children
- C. Future career goals involving children
- D. Initiative, enthusiasm, creativity, versatility, responsibility, maturity
- E. Availability (for the hours and weeks necessary)
- F. Good communication, problem-solving and decision-making skills
- G. Positive attitude and the ability to be silly, laugh and have fun

While it is not necessary that you have every single one of these characteristics, this should give you an idea of the type of employee we are looking for.

Q. What if I want to take a week or two off during the summer to go on vacation, etc.?

A. We grant time off for family emergencies and college orientations, and occasionally for important family functions (reunions, weddings, etc.). However, because of the time and energy it takes to train staff and the importance of each position, we need staff members who can be with us for the majority of the summer.

Q. What do Counselors do with the campers each day?

A. Counselors are responsible for a group of approximately 18 campers. Counselors get to know each child in their group very well, and help them develop new skills and abilities as the week progresses. Counselors are responsible for their campers at every moment of the day – from morning assembly to evening check-out. This includes transporting them to and from activities, supervising them during swim time, planning small group activities, playing games and singing songs with them, eating lunch together, and getting to know their parents.

Q. This job sounds hard. Why would I want to do it?

A. Being a camp counselor is one of the hardest jobs you'll ever have. It is also one of the most rewarding. You'll build incredible friendships with your fellow staff members and campers, many of which will last for years to come. The work experience you gain will be invaluable, and will show any future employer that you are responsible and hard-working. Oh, and did we mention the job is a whole lot of fun?

The most important reward, though, is the knowledge that you made an incredible impact on each one of your campers' lives. No matter how fun it was to swim every day, campers love camp because of <u>you</u>. Because you helped them grow and learn new things. Because you coached them through tough times and listened to their problems. Because you were silly and crazy with them. Because you protected them and cared about their lives and their futures.

Because of you, they will be better, stronger, more capable people. Can you imagine a better way to spend your summer?

Memo

To: Summer Camp Applicants From: Amy Wilder Date: 3/23/2022 Re: Training Dates

Please review the attached information:

Training Dates – Should you be hired for a position as a Camp Counselor, there are some training dates that you will be <u>required</u> to attend. The training you will receive is important to you knowing how to do your job.

The training dates are as follows:

Monday May 16th: 4pm – 8pm (New Hires & Rehires only) Tuesday May 17th: 4pm – 8pm (New Hires & Rehires only) Thursday May 19th: 6pm – 8pm (All Staff) Friday May 20th: 6pm-8pm (All Staff) Saturday May 21st: 9am-1pm (All Staff)

Camp starts May 31st and ends July 29th

Since this is a summer job and only last 9 weeks, we need employees that are available and are flexible with their hours. We understand that summer is a popular time for vacations and other events, but it makes

Please note: 1. Paid Staff (ages 16 and up)-

a. Will be expected to work7 weeks out of a 9-week summer, full time. No exceptions are made for summer school, family vacations, or Maymester.

- b. Must be 16 years old by May 20, 2022, to be considered for a paid position.
- c. Will need to be CPR & 1st Aid certified. Dates for classes offered at the Y are TBD.
- 1. Classes will be offered at the YMCA for staff
- 2. Staff members may take a class from another organization
- d. ALL staff trainings are MANDATORY.

3. Additional— a. No camp Monday May 30, 2022, b. No camp July 4th -8th c. These dates do not count as requested time off d. Staff work shirts are provided e. Paid staff are paid bi-weekly



Summer Camp Staff Information Sheet

	STAFF INFORMATION			
Name:	Telephone Numbe	r:		
Address:	Email:			
	SHIRT SIZE: (CIRCLE) S M L XL XXL XXXL			
	POSITION DESIRED			
🗖 Counselor	Asst. Counselor	Drop off/pick up only		
□ 5–6-year-olds	□ 7–9-year-olds	□ 10–12-year-olds		
	AVAILABILTY			
	AM/PM to	AM/PM		
	TRAINING AVAILABILITY			
□ May 24 (4p-8p) □ May 25 (4p-8p) □ May 27 (4p-8p) It is required that you attend all three days.				
□ I need CPR/First Aid training				
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	CERTIFICATIONS			
Do you have any of the following certifications (check all that apply):				
CPR/First Aid (expiration) L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L	ifeguard (expiration)			
Commercial Driver's License	Other (explain)			



YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont Employee Application

Please print and answer all questions. If one does not apply, insert N/A. If additional space is required to adequately answer any question, please indicate by and asterisk (*) and identify the supplemental information on a separate sheet. This application is not intended to imply limitations, preferences or discrimination based on age, sex, marital status, race, creed, color, national origin or existence of any sensory, mental or physical disability that does not interfere with the performance of the position for which you are applying.

Position Applied:	Branch:	Date:	
PERSONAL INFORMA	ATION		
Full Name:			
Social Security #:	Phor	ne #:	Cell / Home
Current Address:			
	ed? Date you are available		
May we contact your curr	ent employer?		
Have you previously work	ked at another YMCA?		
Have you the legal right to	o work in the United Stated	?	
Have you ever been charg	ed with or convicted of a m	isdemeanor or felony?	
If yes, please explain			
Are you interested in:	Part-time:	Full-time:	
Will you be available to w	vork overtime?		
List hours you would be a	vailable to work:		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Sunday			
Emergency Contact:			
Phone Number:	I	Relationship:	

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (List last four employers starting with the most recent.)

Company Name:	Phone Number:
Address:	
	(Beginning and Ending Month and Year)
Title and brief descri	ption of duties.
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Company Name:	Phone Number:
Address:	
Employment Dates:	(Beginning and Ending Month and Year)
Title and brief descri	ption of duties
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Company Name:	Phone Number:
Address:	
Supervisor's Name:	
Employment Dates:	(Beginning and Ending Month and Year)
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Reason for leaving: _	
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Company Name:	Phone Number:
Address:	
Employment Dates:	(Beginning and Ending Month and Year)
Title and brief descri	ption of duties.
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PERSONAL REFE	RENCES
List below the names a family member.	s of three people you have know for at least one year. One person should be
	Phone Number:
Address: Relationship:	Years Acquainted:
Name:	Phone Number:
Address: Relationship:	Years Acquainted:
Name: Address:	Phone Number:
	Years Acquainted:
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EDUCATION	
High School School Name: Graduated: Yes	No Current Grade:
Junior College School Name:	
Address: Years Completed: College/University School Name:	Degree:
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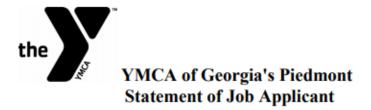
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Applicant Signature

Date



In the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont efforts to attract the highest quality staff, I have been advised that as a part of the application process for employment, an extensive inquiry will be made concerning my prior employment, activities, character, and health. This inquiry will include conviction criminal history information and information in my background related to child abuse. I fully consent to and authorize all such inquiries. I will provide the requested information for the sole purpose of obtaining a conviction-only criminal history file search. I understand that my continued employment is contingent upon a clean criminal history background check and a physician's statement showing me to be in good health.

I authorize the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont to request my employment record from any former employer(s). I further understand that inquiries may be made concerning my background, experience, and prior employment. I waive any right to claim that any request or investigation is an invasion of my privacy, since it is made with my consent and it is in my interest that I am considered for employment. I also release the YMCA from any liability re: sharing with third parties any child abuse information gathered in this background check or observed during my employment with the YMCA.

In the event of my employment by the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont, I will comply with all policies set forth in the personnel manual and with other policies established from time to time by the organization. I also understand that if hired as a YMCA employee or volunteer, I am not allowed to fraternize with YMCA youth members or participants outside of YMCA programs, including, but not limited, to babysitting or inviting children to my home.

I understand that the YMCA will take any allegations or suspicions of child abuse seriously and will report such allegations to the police and state agencies for investigation.

I understand and agree that if I am employed, there is no contract period for employment and my employment would be solely "employment at will," giving either me or the YMCA the right to terminate my employment at any time without liability or obligation except for my regular pay through the date of termination.

I certify that all statements made by me on this application are true to the best of my knowledge and that I have withheld nothing that would, if disclosed, affect this application unfavorably. I understand and agree that any misrepresentation or omission of facts would exclude my being considered for employment. Any misrepresentation or omission of facts discovered after employment may be cause for termination of employment with the YMCA.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understood the above statement and that I voluntarily sign this application.

Applicant Signature:	Da

Date:



YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont Release of Information

I hereby authorize any person, educational institution or company I have listed as a reference on my employment application to disclose in good faith any information they may have regarding my qualifications and fitness for employment. I will hold the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont, any former employers, educational institutions and any other persons giving references free of liability for the exchange of this information and any other reasonable and necessary information incident to the employment process.

I hereby authorize that a photocopy of this release be considered as valid.

Applicant Signature

Date

Applicant Printed Name



Release for Criminal Background Check

I, ______, authorize the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont to conduct a criminal background check including, but not limited to, employment, criminal, educational and credit history. I authorize all agencies who may have information relevant to this investigation to disclose said information to the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont and/or its agents. I release all persons or agencies from any liability from disclosure of background information. I understand that I may request a complete and accurate disclosure of the nature and scope of the background verification to the extent such investigation includes information bearing on my character, general reputation, personal characteristics or mode of living.

Department

Social Security Number

Print name

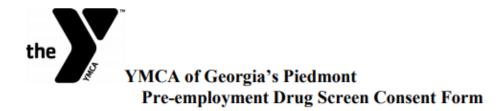
Date

Current Physical Address

City, State Zip

Signature

Date of Birth



I have applied for employment with the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont. As a condition for my application being considered, I understand and agree to undergo substance screening. I understand that if my test results are positive, I shall not be considered further by the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont for any job position.

I hereby authorize any physician, laboratory, hospital or medical professional retained by the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont for screening purposes to conduct such screening and to provide the results to the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont, and I release the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont and any person affiliated with the YMCA of Georgia's Piedmont and any such institution or person conducting the screening, from liability therefore.

Applicant Signature

Date

Applicant's Printed