

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Job Title:	Little Lions Camp Counselor		
Department:	Athletics and Physical Education	Starting Salary:	\$15.00/hour
Location:	Dodge Fitness Center	Supervisor:	Anne Marie Skylis Skylis / Lauren Dudziak

Job Description

Little Lions Camp is a day camp for children ages 6 through 12. The camp offers athletics, arts & crafts, and team-building games, at the Dodge Fitness Center and the Baker Athletics Complex. Camp happens annually over ten weekly summer sessions, two holiday sessions, and one spring session. Campers are taught by Columbia undergraduate and graduate students, teachers, and others. These trained staff members help campers develop their knowledge of sports, increase their love of physical activity, improve their sportsmanship, and gain athletic confidence. The goal of Little Lions Camp is to provide a memorable sports summer camp experience while promoting team-work, friendship, and self-confidence in a safe community. Campers and staff members are encouraged to work, play together, try new things, and most importantly, have fun!

Camp Dates

March 16-20

June 8-12, June 15-19, June 22-26, June 29-July 2, July 13-17, July 20-24, July 27-31, August 3-7 (Baker Athletics Complex), August 10-14 (Baker Athletics Complex)

Staff Training Dates

Early June

Goals of Cubs Camp

- Build a fun, safe environment
- Increase cooperative ability of campers
- Improve sportsmanship
- Instill confidence
- Inspire campers to remain physically active
- Develop friendships

Counselors should have a passion for inspiring children to have fun, be physically active, and develop friendships. This is a perfect job for someone who is outgoing, physically active, and interested in working with children. Counselors will be responsible for leading and assisting sports games, activities, and arts and crafts. They should want to create positive relationships with coworkers, participate in athletic activities throughout the day, and obtain experience teaching. Counselors will also ideally have specific areas of expertise, and will be asked to lead different daily sessions in activities such as their practiced sport, squash, dance, swim, martial arts, music, and art.

Hours

Counselors will attend 10-15 hours of training prior to the start of camp. Training will include CPR/First Aid Training if candidates are not already certified. Counselors will also be responsible for some pre-work, such as setting up equipment before the first day of camp.

Camp day hours: 8:15 AM - 3:15 AM, with the option of staying for post care (arriving at 8:15 AM) until 5:30 PM.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Help build a community of positivity and respect.
- Be positive, energetic, communicative, and flexible.
- Manage up to 60 campers along with other counselors and the Assistant Director.
 - o Campers will be divided into groups with 2-3 counselors overseeing 20-30 campers.
- Help teach, prepare, clean and monitor all activities.
- Listen to camper needs and address them appropriately.
- Enforce rules and policies.
- Prevent bullying, teasing, or inappropriate behavior and language.
- Ensure camper safety.

Required Qualifications

- 18 years old or older.
- Expertise in various sports, games or art.
- Experience working with children in a camp or teaching venue.

Preferred Qualifications

- Swim Experience
- Camp experience