



JOIN OUR CREW

Prospective Camp Staff Information



EMBARK ON LIFE'S VOYAGE

Whether it's learning a new skill or meeting a best friend, Rolling River has affected the lives of thousands of Staff Members by creating pivotal moments that change the course of their life.



WELCOME TO CAMP!

Rolling River has been enormously successful since our maiden voyage in 1993 due to our outstanding Staff Members, called "The Crew". Crew Members have the opportunity to develop important "life skills" and serve as influential mentors for our campers. We hope you will join us this summer down by the RIVA!



WHY ROLLING RIVER?

Rolling River is a second-generation family owned and operated summer day camp on Long Island. Our goal is to expose campers to a variety of traditional sports and arts programs in addition to premiere instruction in aquatics and boating. Our approachable, friendly, and supportive atmosphere creates an excellent environment for Crew Members to learn, grow and of course, have fun!

WHY WORK AS A COUNSELOR?

Working as a camp counselor is so much more than an ordinary summer job. Working at camp cultivates communication skills, critical thinking and problem solving, interpersonal and leadership skills, teambuilding and creativity! Crew Members also develop lifelong friendships and incredible summer memories for themselves.



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

In order to work as a Staff Member, an applicant must be entering at least 11th grade. Positions are available for Head Staff (min. 21 years old) and Assistant Staff (11th grade - College). Rolling River hires Crew Members in the following areas: Group Counselors, Program Counselors, Waterfront Staff and Operations Staff. Camp salaries are based on a variety of factors and will be discussed during the interview process.



WORKING AT CAMP IS A REAL JOB

Learn More about the Skills Developed as a Counselor



LEADERSHIP

You will be supervising between 7-15 others, engaging in decision-making, behavior management and living ethics, all necessary leadership skills for today.

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

With other staff and connections to camp alumni can provide a link to possible internships or future job opportunities in a variety of careers, specifically in education.

21ST CENTURY SKILLS

Communication, collaboration, critical thinking, creativity, and contribution that are critical for success in today's world are developed and practiced at camp.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Camp Directors/Leaders write great letters of recommendation because they take the time to get to know you as an individual and see you in action on a daily basis.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Ongoing professional development sets you up to learn about your job while building a strong team with the people in your group, Division or program area.

TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

You get to keep any additional training you may acquire (like CPR, first aid and activity specialist). If you are a lifeguard, you can earn additional money in private lessons.

CREDIT OR COMMUNITY SERVICE

You may be eligible for college credit in some cases or able to use camp as an independent study or internship experience. Many high schools also accept camp as community service.

PAYCHECK

You will get paid a base salary with add-ons for experience, certifications, leadership roles and extra duties as well as a possible bonus for great work and attendance.





ROLLING RIVER DAY CAMP

THE FACTS



Rolling River is an all-inclusive, seasonal summer camp on the South Shore of Long Island. Our program serves as an extension to a child's primary education with a focus on out-of-classroom learning experiences to develop socialization, cooperation and other intangible life skills.

Our goal is to expose campers to a variety of traditional sports and arts programs in addition to premiere instruction in aquatics and boating. All camp groups receive a weekly schedule of structured activities and as campers grow, they have more opportunities to customize their program. Tuition also includes door-to-door bus transportation, onsite dining, health center services, off-season events and more.



600-700 Campers
Annually Ages 3-15
from 20+ L.I. Towns.

Campers are Separated
into 4 Divisions and
Assigned Camp Groups
by Age & Gender.



45+ Activities on
Private, 5+ Acre
Riverside Campus.

Swim Instruction Boating,
Creative Arts, Athletics,
Special Events, Field
Trips, Playgrounds.



250+ Staff with 85%
Return Rate & 60% over
21 Years Old.

Includes Group
Counselors, Program
Counselors, Waterfront &
Operations Staff.

It's All in THE FAMILY



Meet the Owners/Directors

We strongly believe you can trace life-changing moments back to summer camp. Directors Rhonda and Mark met as camp counselors in 1975 and their love for camp encouraged them to establish Rolling River in 1992. Thousands of campers later, Rhonda and Mark have passed their passion for camp on to their 3 children and their spouses. Together, our family possesses a diverse skill set in business, education and recreation that has ultimately created an innovative summer experience for children.



Mark Goodman

Owner/Director

Queens College BA Phys.Ed
Columbia MA Teachers College
NYU PhD Administration



Rhonda Goodman

Owner/Director

Queens College BA, Columbia
Teachers College MA in Art,
Education & Special Ed.



Marissa Allaben

Director

Cornell BA Business/Marketing
Baruch College MBA
Entrepreneurship



Ali Rothenberg

Associate Director

URI BA Human Family & Dev.
Hofstra MA Early Childhood
Edu. & Special Ed.



Matt Rothenberg

Waterfront Supervisor

Uni of Buffalo BA Psychology
LIU MA School Counseling



Jonah Allaben

Operations Consultant

Cornell BS Mech. Engineering
Cornell MS Mech. Engineering



Jon Goodman

Associate Director

SUNY Cortland BS Phys.Ed
SUNY Cortland MA Health



Lisa Goodman

Business Manager

SUNY Cortland BS Phys.Ed
Molloy College MA Special Ed.



Job Description: Group Counselor

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Benefits of Working as a Crew Member

- ☐ Daily Hot Lunch, Snacks & Refreshments
- ☐ Staff-Only Events
- ☐ Camp Tuition for Children (if needed)
- ☐ End-of-Summer Tips (Group Counselors)
- ☐ Networking with Educators for Professional Development
- ☐ Communication & Leadership Skills
- ☐ Ability to Serve as a Role Model
- ☐ Life-Long Friendships

A Group Counselor is assigned to oversee and supervise a specific age group at camp. All groups are assigned an adult Head Counselor and 2-3 assistant counselors based on the size of the group. Groups in the Skipper & Mariner Divisions also are assigned 1-2 CITs or Counselors-in-Training.

Job Responsibilities

- ☐ Oversee daily well-being of assigned camp group (see below for average group sizes)
- ☐ Follow provided schedule and escort campers to required indoor and outdoor activities
- ☐ Assist campers during two daily swim periods (must change into bathing suit)
- ☐ Set up and clean up during camper snack and lunch periods
- ☐ Help campers to the restroom and/or Health Center
- ☐ Participate in camp activities including sports, arts, special events and dress up days
- ☐ Supervise campers on off-campus trips (3rd grade and up)
- ☐ Collaborate as a team with co-counselors by assigning accountability for camp tasks
- ☐ Correspond with parents regarding camper progress & daily concerns (Head Counselors Only)
- ☐ Maintain energetic & professional demeanor when interacting with campers, staff and parents

Job Qualifications

- ☐ Asst. Counselor- 11th Grade - College
- ☐ Head Counselor- 21 Years Old or Older
- ☐ Head Counselors for 3rd Grade & Older must obtain CDL Bus License
- ☐ Experience working with children
- ☐ Previous camp experience preferred
- ☐ Ability to participate in activities
- ☐ Organized and responsible
- ☐ Spirited and enthusiastic

Camp Divisions for Group Counselors

Skipper Division

- ☐ Nursery-Kindergarten
- ☐ Avg. Group Size 12-16 Campers

Mariner Division

- ☐ Grades 1-4
- ☐ Avg. Group Size 15-22 Campers

Navigator Division

- ☐ Grades 5-8
- ☐ Avg. Group Size 18-30 Campers

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Job Description: Program Staff

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Our Program Specialty and Athletics Staff create, organize and run camper activities in creative arts and athletics. Program staff are responsible for developing and executing the curriculum for their assigned area. Each program area is overseen by an adult staff member and 1-2 assistants.

Job Responsibilities

- ☐ Prepare and deliver instructional lessons that facilitate active learning experiences at camp
- ☐ Lesson plan in off-season with Directors and Supervisors to develop age-appropriate activities for camp groups. Based on activity, age group may be 3 to 15 years old. Group size may range from 10 to 25 campers at one time for single group activity and may increase in number for Hobby or Intramural periods.
- ☐ Research/order supplies within budget & inventory before/after season for lessons
- ☐ Set up and clean up program area during the camp season
- ☐ Encourage and monitor progress of campers throughout the summer
- ☐ Manage camper behavior in the program area by establishing and reinforcing rules
- ☐ Organize and distribute projects (only for certain program areas)
- ☐ Work effectively in a team environment with 1-2 co-counselors

Job Qualifications

- ☐ Min. Age Entering 11th Grade
- ☐ Min. Age 21 Years Old for Head Position
- ☐ Interest and Knowledge in Assigned Area
- ☐ Ability to Plan and Execute Lessons
- ☐ Comfortable Leading Instruction
- ☐ Background in Teaching/Education
- ☐ Strong Communication & Presentation Skills in Group Setting

Creative Arts & Athletics Positions

CREATIVE ARTS

Arts & Crafts

Ceramics

Computers

Cooking

Hidden Treasures

Lanyard/Beading

Music

Nature/STEAM

Puppetry

Theater Arts

Woodworking

ATHLETICS

Baseball/Softball

Basketball

European Handball

Dance and/or Yoga

Football

Gaga and/or Mini Golf

Gymnastics

Hockey

Lacrosse and/or Soccer

Volleyball

Wii & Game Room

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A member of the **Waterfront Staff** ensures the safety of campers at our **Pool Complex** or **Boating Marina**. **Waterfront Staff** need appropriate qualifications in order to teach swim lessons or operate our motorized boats (see below for details). Assistant positions are available for both **Pool** and **Boating** if staff member does not receive certification prior to camp.

Job Responsibilities

Pool Complex

- ☐ Open pool each morning and close down each afternoon (i.e. set up pool supplies)
- ☐ Teach (WSI) or assist (LGT) with morning swim lessons in one of three heated pools. Groups are divided based on age (from 3 to 11 years old) and Red Cross Swim Level (level 0-6).
- ☐ Stand guard during morning swim lessons or afternoon free swim
- ☐ Communicate and enforce pool regulations and rules
- ☐ Opportunity to earn additional income through private swim lessons before or after camp

Boating Marina

- ☐ Oversee and supervise camp groups that are scheduled for Boating
- ☐ Maintain, set up and clean up fleet of kayaks, paddle boards, peddle boats, and corcls
- ☐ Operate motorized boats and run banana boat or tubing activity down Mill River
- ☐ Ability to lift up to 50 lbs. and be on your feet for extended periods of time

Job Qualifications

- ☐ Minimum Age Entering 11th Grade
- ☐ Lifeguard Certification plus Nassau Cert.
- ☐ WSI Certification to Teach Swim Lessons
- ☐ CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer
- ☐ NYS Boating Certification (if at Marina)
- ☐ Ability to Work in a Team Environment
- ☐ Comfortable with Extended Periods of Time Outside and in the Water

Waterfront Positions

Lifeguard

- ☐ Stand Guard at Pool
- ☐ Teach campers during Swim Lessons

Pool Assistant

- ☐ Assist Groups at Pool
- ☐ Assist Lifeguards during Swim Lessons

Boating

- ☐ Supervise Marina
- ☐ Operate motorized & non-motorized boats

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Our **Operational Staff** is comprised of staff members who provide support functions at camp. **Operational Staff jobs include positions in the following areas: Camp Office/Transportation, Health Center, Facility Management, and Dining.**

Job Responsibilities

Job Qualifications

Camp Office and Transportation

Camp Office: Phone Reception, Daily Staff & Camper Attendance, Front Door Security
Transportation: AM/PM Run Bus Drivers, Trip Drivers, Parking Lot Management

Over 21 Years Old
 Organized & Responsible
 Strong Communication Skills
 *Bus Drivers Need Appropriate CDL License

Health Center

Provide routine healthcare & emergency medical treatment, administer prescribed medication, review camper health information

Licensed Healthcare Professional
 Calm, Caring and Compassionate
 Background in Pediatrics Preferable

Facility Management and Maintenance

Assist with custodial, cleaning and up-keep of the facility, assist with light construction projects, set up for special activities and events

Previous Construction or Custodial Experience
 Ability to Move Heavy Equipment/Supplies
 Knowledge of Cleaning & Safety Procedures

Dining Staff

Organize, prepare and cook hot lunch and cold substitute lunch for campers and staff. Organize and serve morning and afternoon snack.

Previous Experience in Food Service
 Ability to Operate Food Service Equipment
 Knowledge of Safe Food Preparation Techniques

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