

Camp Director Rock Springs Ranch

General Description

The Camp Director position is responsible for the leadership of the residential camping program at Rock Springs Ranch (RSR), which is owned and operated by the Kansas 4-H Foundation. This is a hands-on management position requiring an adaptable individual with a strong ability to effectively prioritize and maintain professional communication with the larger Kansas 4-H community. This position reports to the managing director at Rock Springs Ranch in Junction City, Kansas.

The Kansas 4-H Foundation is the 501(c)(3) fundraising arm for Kansas 4-H, the state's largest positive youth development program, as well as Rock Springs Ranch, the state 4-H camp and conference center. The Foundation works with businesses, organizations, individuals and families who share a common desire to support a statewide effort of growing future leaders. Rock Springs Ranch is a 735-acre property located in the heart of the flint hills and is accredited by the American Camp Association.

Primary Responsibilities

- Develop & Enhance Summer 4-H Camp Program
 - Deliver programs and activities to meet developmental needs of campers
 - Manage and execute camper registration and campership process
 - Lead with a focus on growth and retention of camper families
 - Remain current with best practices in youth development and camping industry, including the knowledge of the American Camp Association accreditation process and guidelines
 - Build and monitor the summer camp budget

Recruitment and Retention

- Work with the director of communications to execute year-round communication with parents, campers, 4-H clubs and 4-H professionals across the state
- Serve as a representative of Rock Springs Ranch/Kansas 4-H Foundation at events
- Review surveys to ensure and improve program outcomes

Seasonal Staff Management

- o Recruit, hire, train, schedule, supervise, and evaluate seasonal staff
- Collaboratively build and institute policies and practices to define the RSR camp culture, including updating summer staff manuals and program curriculum
- o Ensure records of staff certifications are current and complete
- Motivate, lead, and coach summer staff team, including Leaders in Training & Counselors in Training programs

- Hospitality Management
 - o Serve in an on-call rotation as RSR customer service contact for guests during their stay
 - o Assist Conference & Retreats Associate Director as needed
 - o Other duties as assigned by the managing director

Requirements

- Bachelor's degree in Parks & Recreation, Education or related field
- Minimum 5 years of residential camp experience or equivalent
- Minimum of 3 years of supervisory experience and program development
- Certified or able to meet and maintain American Red Cross, including instructor level, First Aid,
 CPR, AED and Lifeguarding
- Preferred prior knowledge of 4-H programming
- Possess a current driver's license, and have/maintain a good driving record
- Successful completion of criminal background check, drug test, and physical strength test
- Schedule requires days, nights, weekends and holidays

Qualifications

- Ability to be flexible and adapt to changing priorities, work on multiple projects concurrently, prioritize own workload, and consistently meet deadlines
- Ability to work effectively under periodically stressful and difficult customer service conditions
- Professional, well-developed interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills
- Strong conflict resolution and customer service skills
- Self-driven, proactive, energetic, and enthusiastic personality
- Be a servant leader, work alongside of teammates to accomplish mission aligning with Kansas 4-H

Benefits

- \$45,000 \$55,000
- Private onsite housing, utilities and meals provided when group is on site
- Medical and dental insurance
- Paid Time Off (PTO) including parental leave
- 403b retirement plan with employer contribution and matching
- Be a part of a positive and energetic work environment.
- As the largest positive youth development organization, we value continuous learning and professional development opportunities.

Application and Interview Process

Email a resume and cover letter to Letha Causby, managing director at Rock Springs Ranch, at lcausby@rockspringsranch.org or call 785-257-3221. After reviewing applications, qualified candidates will be contacted for in-person interviews.