

Adventure Trip Leader

Capital District YMCA Camp Chingachgook

New York State, New England Region and South Eastern Canada

In the Adventure Trip program, our focus is on helping teens build character, learn outdoor skills, gain an appreciation for the natural world, and develop teamwork and leadership skills. We arrange for co-ed groups of 10 or less teens or pre-teens to embark upon adventure trips throughout the northeast for one-week, two-weeks or five-weeks. Our activity focus varies from hiking, backpacking, rock climbing, and biking to whitewater rafting, kayaking, sailing and canoeing.

Trip Leaders are hired for their proven ability to lead others in the outdoors, must be a minimum age of 21, hold current valid driver's license, and must have current valid lifeguarding and wilderness first aid certifications or must complete these certifications (training opportunities provided). Trip Leaders must be able to develop professional working relationships with peer leaders and interact professionally with various commercial outfitters we utilize.

Trip Leaders are responsible for the overall safety of their group and will need to facilitate group development, instruct basic outdoor skills and foster an engaging and exciting experience through their respective adventure activities. Leaders will be required to operate a minivan or SUV as group transportation and some of the Trip Leaders will be trained to tow a trailer. Trip leaders will be responsible for care and accountability of issued equipment and vehicles.

Position begins as early as June 7, 2014 for staff needing certifications and ends August 22, 2014. Salary ranges \$2,000 to \$2,600 depending on experience and certifications; room and board included.

To apply, contact Dan Poole, Adventure Director, at dpoole@cdymca.org or 518-656-9462, ext 6646. Position is subject to fill on a 'first come, first serve' basis closing March 31, 2014. Application materials can be found online at <http://www.cdymca.org/CampChingachgook/formstodownload.aspx>