Camp Fire Minnesota
Position Description

Job Title: Lifeguard
Purpose: Directly supervise waterfront programs, assess and mitigate risk. Other duties as assigned.
Reports to: Waterfront Coordinator
Classification: Exempt, seasonal
Dates: May 27 – September 4, 2020

About Camp Fire Minnesota
With nature as our catalyst, we energize youth to discover their spark so their futures glow brighter.
Youth spend 90% of their time indoors. Camp Fire Minnesota addresses this challenge by delivering culturally relevant, nature-based programs at Tanadoona, Camp Bluewater, and throughout the community to over 6,500 youth from all backgrounds each year. We help youth “light their spark within” through summer camp, environmental education & STEM classes for schools, and community-based out-of-school time nature programs.
We are proud to offer inclusive and welcoming programs to youth in the community. To this end, 40% of Camp Fire youth participate at reduced or no cost. As a result of their Camp Fire experience, 92% of youth report valuing nature and stewarding the environment.
Our summer camps at Tanadoona in Chanhassen and Camp Bluewater in Grand Rapids offer youth and teens progressive, nature-based learning through day, specialty day, overnight, adventure and leadership development camps. Tanadoona is an ACA accredited camp.

About This Position
Lifeguards have a lot of responsibility and are ultimately the ones we rely on for the safety of campers and staff at the waterfront.

Primary Responsibilities
- Implement Waterfront Programming including: open swim, water trampoline, boating, and fishing
- Maintain safety and order at the waterfront
- Carry out established roles for supervising camper health and enforcing camp safety regulations
- Maintain good public relations with camper families and the Tanadoona community
- Assist with paperwork regarding incident and accident reports
- Assist in ensuring the cleanliness of the site, bathrooms, and other camp buildings
- Act as a general counselor when necessary

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:
- Ability to respond appropriately to first-aid and waterfront safety situations
- Ability to teach/review waterfront standards with campers
- Ability to work with a variety of different groups, from many different backgrounds
- Maintain Camp Fire Minnesota standards at all times
Minimum Qualifications:
• 1-year of post-secondary schooling or equivalent
• Current Lifeguard certification or ability to obtain one before start date.
• Experience leading waterfront programs
• Good character, integrity, and adaptability

Desired Availability:
• Available to attend General Staff Training on May 27. Last day of work is September 4.

Pay Range:
• $275 weekly stipend plus room and board.

Application Process:
Submit an application online at www.tanadoona.org/work-at-camp
• Please direct questions to chloec@campfiremn.org (include the position title in the subject line)
• Fax: 952-378-1661
• Mail: Camp Fire Minnesota, Attn: Camp Staff, 4829 Minnetonka Boulevard, Suite 202, St. Louis Park, MN 55416

Camp Fire Minnesota is strongly committed to addressing environmental justice. We encourage candidates with diverse experiences and backgrounds, Black, Indigenous and people of color, LGBTQIA+ individuals, and unemployed persons to apply.