

Summer Camp Counselor Positions For Resident Boys Camp

The Chewonki Foundation is a year-round environmental education center located on a 400 acre peninsula in mid-coast Maine. Chewonki offers a summer camp program for boys ages 8-15, a wilderness camp for girls ages 11 – 17, coed wilderness expeditions for 13-18 year olds, and during the school year, an 11th grade program, the Maine Coast Semester, and environmental education programs for school groups. Visit our web-site at www.chewonki.org.

Chewonki seeks enthusiastic, energetic students and young teachers for counselor positions in the boy's camp program. Counselors live in a cabin with 8-10 boys, and share overall responsibility with one other counselor. In addition, counselors teach in a specific activity area: nature, sailing, kayaking, farm/garden, field sports, tennis, archery, photography, shop, art, campcraft, renewable energy, or swimming. Most counselors help lead at least two wilderness trips with his cabin - either hiking, canoeing, kayaking or sailing. In addition, counselors are expected to be involved in other aspects of the camp program - helping to organize special events, serve in the dining room, lifeguard at the waterfront, implement new program ideas, organize evening activities, etc.

Although no specific previous experience is required, certain certifications are preferred or required. We require all staff to have Red Cross or Wilderness First Aid as well as CPR, Life-Guard Training, Maine Trip Leader, instructor training in certain activities such as archery, small boat handling, etc. is very helpful and often required depending on certain job descriptions.

Applicants should realize that the job of a camp counselor is challenging, demanding, and requires a great deal of patience and understanding. Personal lifestyle sacrifices may have to be made. Sensitive and dynamic leadership is necessary to provide youngsters the opportunity to grow, to relate to others, to establish life-long values and to increase their awareness of the natural world.

Additional non-cabin, activity, support and work crew positions may also be available. Please inquire.

Who May Apply:	Students 17 years old and older; Teachers
Salary Range:	\$1,200 - \$3,100/eight weeks (depends on year in school, includes one week of training, room and board)
Dates:	June 14 - Aug. 11, 2010 (minimum)
Requirements:	Completed application, screening & interview. Current certification in Basic First Aid and CPR required of all counselors. LGT required of waterfront staff. WFR, LGT & trip leader permit required of trip leaders.
Health:	Tobacco products are not allowed at Chewonki. A complete physical with current immunizations by a licensed physician is required 24 months prior to start of Camp.
Application:	Send cover letter requesting and/or with application to: Garth Altenburg, Camp Director The Chewonki Foundation 485 Chewonki Neck Rd. Wiscasset, ME 04578 207-882-7323 fax: 207-882-4074 galtenburg@chewonki.org