

DayTripping Counselor

About Summer at St. John's

We create safe, inclusive, and choice-driven programs that grow with your child. Our developmentally appropriate camps are shaped by our community values, leaving a lasting impression upon all campers and staff for years to come. Summer at St. John's community values are at the core of every decision we make. We encourage:

- Kindness: Promoting stronger, more harmonious relationships and communities.
- Community: Building strong bonds and a sense of belonging among campers and staff.
- Honesty: Fostering trust and cooperation, contributing to personal and societal well-being.
- Respect: Teaching respect for oneself, others, and the environment.

About St. John's Prep

St. John's Prep is an inclusive, Catholic, Xaverian Brothers Sponsored School for young men in grades 6 through 12. Founded on the Xaverian values of compassion, humility, simplicity, trust, and zeal, we educate students to be, do and stand for good in the world. We enroll approximately 1,500 students from more than 90 communities in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine.

Position Overview and Responsibilities

The Day-Tripping Counselor will be responsible for planning, coordinating, and executing various day trips around Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine. This role requires someone with excellent organizational skills, a passion for outdoor activities, and a commitment to safety. The counselor will ensure that each trip provides a safe, enjoyable, and enriching experience for all participants.

Skills and Competencies

- Lead day trips to local attractions, natural sites, and educational facilities, ensuring a
 diverse range of activities that cater to the interests and abilities of all campers.
- Working with camp leadership, coordinate logistics for all day trips, including transportation, meals, tickets, and equipment, ensuring all necessary arrangements are made in advance.
- Conduct pre-trip briefings for campers and staff, outlining the day's activities, safety protocols, and behavioral expectations.
- Maintain a friendly and enthusiastic atmosphere, encouraging camper participation and fostering a spirit of adventure and curiosity.
- Monitor and manage the behavior of campers, ensuring a safe and respectful environment is maintained at all times.
- Respond to emergencies and unexpected situations effectively, applying first aid and crisis management skills as needed.
- Evaluate the success of each trip, gathering feedback from campers and staff to continually improve the day-tripping program.
- Maintain accurate records of trip details, participant attendance, and incident reports.
- Work closely with other camp staff to integrate day trips with other camp programs and activities.
- Uphold all camp policies and procedures, ensuring compliance with health and safety standards.

Education and Experience

- Proven experience as a counselor, guide, or coordinator, preferably in a camp or educational setting.
- Strong knowledge of the local area's geography and attractions, with an ability to plan diverse and appealing day trips.
- Excellent organizational and leadership skills, with the capacity to coordinate and manage group activities.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills, capable of working effectively with both children and adults.
- Current First Aid and CPR certifications.
- Ability to handle emergencies and unforeseen situations calmly and efficiently.
- A clean driving record and the ability to drive large vehicles if required.
- Passion for outdoor activities and a commitment to environmental conservation.

Physical Requirements:

- Standing/sitting for long periods of time.
- Bending, lifting, pushing, kneeling, crouching, crawling, stooping.
- Must be able to lift up to 50 pounds.

- Must be able to reach at and above shoulder height to access higher areas of equipment, etc.
- Must be capable of adapting to frequent changes in position throughout the workday.
- Hearing and speaking to exchange information in person or on the telephone.
- Use of hands and fingers for manipulation, and using computer keyboard, educational tools, play equipment, and perform first aid and CPR.
- Specific vision abilities required include close vision, distance vision, color vision, and depth perception.

Summer at St. John's is committed to building a diverse and inclusive community. We welcome applications from underrepresented groups. We seek applicants who demonstrate a commitment to multiculturalism and diversity that is manifested in work with all those who engage with Summer at St. John's.

Interested candidates are asked to apply via <u>CampBrain</u>. Questions can be directed to Laurel Grady at summeratstjohns@stjohnsprep.org.

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