

Counselor at Outdoor Adventure and Mythology Summer Day Camp

Title: Counselor

Employment Status: Exempt/Seasonal

Company Summary:

Plato Learning Mythik Camps operates outdoor mythology-based day camps for kids ages 6-15. We create a world where monsters, myth, and magic transport kids out of the mortal realm into one where they are empowered to develop new skills, take risks, solve problems, and ultimately become Heroes. With seventeen camp programs spanning from NYC to California, Plato Learning uses actors, live-action role-play, and physically and mentally engaging activities to bring myths to life.

Are you ready to join the team and accept our call to adventure?

Job Summary:

We are hiring energetic and creative leaders to serve as Camp Counselors at all camp locations. Counselors are responsible for leading a group of 7-14 year-old camper 'demigods' on their weekly camp journey through the world of mythology, and for developing them into the heroes they were destined to become. Plato's immersive storytelling weaves a mythology-inspired adventure throughout the camp week, culminating in an action-packed "Quest". Counselors lead demigods on Quest within their parks, helping them to use critical thinking and problem-solving skills, while interacting with actors playing monsters and heroes alike.

Job Responsibilities

Lead a Community of Heroes.

- Lead groups of 10-14 campers.
- Enthusiastically facilitate and participate in all activities, while managing camper's behavior, group dynamics, and safety policies.
- Talk with campers, parents and guardians during camper drop-off/pick-up, about their demigod's day.

Train your Demigods (our campers).

- Lead activities like foam sword combat-training, field games, forge (cardboard crafting), potions, and take an active role in preparing demigod campers for their weekly Quest.
- Work off of provided activity plans to engage your campers in the programming and the week's storyline at camp.
- When it is time to go on Quest, guide your cabin through park trails with a high level of energy and creative flair, as engaged in the storyline as the campers are.

Build the World.

- Build your demigod persona and activate the story for your campers through engagement with our activities and lore.
- Read story briefs and prepare for each week's storyline, and enthusiastically support the magic.

- Facilitate buy-in to the adventure—it is only as magical as you make it. Fun is contagious!

Steel your Resolve.

- Our camp is an energetic **all-outdoor** environment that requires constant physical activity, during the heat of summer or a rainfall.
- We are looking for courageous individuals excited by adventure, and who do not shy away from responsibility.
- A Counselor will spend most of their day on their feet and walk anywhere from 15,000-18,000 steps/day on the job, across changes in elevation and varying terrain.

Rise to the Challenge.

- Counselors prove their leadership through action and handle challenging situations with grace.
- Remain patient with challenging behavior, and stay positive during bad weather.
- Provide an enriching experience to campers of all interests and personalities.
- Promote consensus as a team-player who is flexible and ready to lend a hand with an unexpected task

The Hours.

- 35-40 hours/week in-person at your camp location for your scheduled weeks.
- Monday-Friday; 8:00am-4:15pm with a ½ hour lunch break (Campers present 8:45-4:10)

What skills are we looking for?

- Experience working with groups of children aged 7-12, camp experience a plus
- Enthusiasm for working with children in a world-building and storytelling capacity
- Strong collaboration skills, ability to be flexible and work well with others.
- Passion and involvement in any of the following: athletics, literature, theatre, storytelling, fencing, stage combat, music, visual arts, science, nature, martial arts, ttrpgs/D&D
- Age 18 and above by the start of the summer camp season