



### **Position: Canoe Kids Summer Camp Counselor**

The Ottawa River Canoe Club (ORCC) is looking for an enthusiastic person to work as the Canoe Kids Day Camp Counsellor for the ORCC Canoe Kids Program.

The Ottawa River Canoe Club was established in 2001 with a focus on the development of sprint canoeing and kayaking, dragon boating, and outrigger paddling at the recreational and competitive levels. ORCC youth and adult programs span recreational, pre-competitive and competitive sprint paddling. Youth programs include Canoe Kids Summer Camps, Regatta Ready Summer Camps and sprint training programs. Adult programs include masters sprint paddling, dragon boat, outrigger, and stand-up paddling (SUP). The club also offers recreational and competitive programs for adults and youth with a physical (Para) or intellectual (Paddle All) disability. ORCC athletes compete and succeed at the divisional, provincial, national and international levels of competition.

The Canoe Kids Summer Camp provides a fun camp environment for children to learn fundamental canoe and kayak skills and to encourage a lifelong interest in paddling. The Canoe Kids Summer Camp is designed to provide children an opportunity to paddle and socialize with their friends in a fun team environment. Campers develop water safety awareness and paddling skills while increasing their confidence on the water. The camping day includes on-land active games, crafts, and discovery time. The focus is on summer fun!

The Canoe Kids Counsellor will be working with children 6-7 & 8-11 years old in a day camp environment.

#### **Essential Qualifications:** (must be able to demonstrate through references):

- Enthusiasm and willingness to learn
- Outstanding communication and collaboration skills
- Exemplary organization skills.
- Vulnerable Sector Check for applicants over 18, minimum of 2 personal references for applicants under 18
- Ontario Pleasure Craft Operators Card, CPR-C, AED and standard First Aid\*
- Coaching Association of Canada National Coaching Certification Program Canoe Kids Certification\*

\*candidates may obtain these certifications after applying, but must have them prior to starting the job



**Assets:**

- Previous job experience in proximity of water (swimming, paddling, water-skiing etc).
- Previous job experience as a camp counsellor
- NLS certification
- Previous paddling experience
- Experience Teaching Fundamental Movements Skills
- Knowledge of Long Term Athlete Development Principles

**Duties:**

- Together with the rest of the team of camp counselors introduce the campers to the basics of recreational canoe and kayak and various other paddle sports.
- Work collaboratively with the team and volunteers to ensure all camp logistics are in place and the programs are delivered flawlessly.
- Follow basic guidelines for Canoe Kids Camp programs developed by Canoe Kayak Canada and by the ORCC Head Coach.
- Teach and apply basic water safety technique during all camp activities
- Supervise participants in all aspects of camp: swim assessment, canoeing, kayaking, dragon boating, games, field trips to beach, crafts and pre and post camp care.
- Promote and encourage sport in a fun and safe environment.
- Teach physical literacy and fundamental movement skills to children between the ages of 6-11 years in a fun camp atmosphere.

Term: June 26 to August 23<sup>rd</sup>

- Hours are 8 to 4:30, Monday to Friday (except long weekends)

Salary: depending on experience and qualifications

Deadline for application: March 1, 2019

Please submit cover letter and resume by email to:

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