



2012 Camp Takoda Returning Staff Application Packet

YMCA Mission: To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

Takoda Staff Philosophy: Be safe. Have fun. Make memories. Shine the Light of Christ.

2012 Camp Dates

Easley and Pickens Camps will run a 9 week summer. Camp dates will run from June 18 through August 17. Parent meetings will be the week prior to camp beginning.

Powersville Camp will run a 10 week summer. Camp dates will run from June 11 through August 17. Parent meeting will be the week prior to camp beginning.

Leadership Changes

Since last summer, our YMCA has gone through a restructuring. Without going into all of the details, as of December 2011, Alida and Jennifer are no longer over all summer and afterschool programs.

Alida and Jennifer will continue to provide leadership and support for Easley and Powersville Camps while Ryan Smith and Amy Gantt will do so for the Pickens Camp. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me (Alida).

Being Rehired is Not Guaranteed

Please understand that having worked at Camp Takoda in previous summers does not mean that you are guaranteed a job in 2012. You must show the coordinators/director that you deserve to be hired for the 2012 summer. We get over 100 applications for around 40 positions so be sure you show us how you plan to impact kids this summer.

If rehired, hours are not guaranteed but based on the number of campers.

Application Process

Please complete the enclosed application and **return it by March 1, 2012:**

By Mail: Pickens County YMCA
201 Burns Road
Easley, SC 29640

By Email: alidagardiner@pcymca.net

By Fax: 864.850.5971 Attention: Alida Gardiner

In Person: Easley Facility
201 Burns Road
Easley, SC 29640

Pickens Facility
2223 Gentry Memorial Highway
Pickens, SC 29671

Once your application is received, you will be contacted either by phone or letter as to the status of your application. Some candidates will be scheduled for an individual interview before staffing decisions are made.

If selected for a position, you will be required to abide by the counselor staff agreement, job description, child abuse prevention policies and the YMCA employee handbook policies.

Applicants Name:

Email Address:

Cell Phone:

CAMP EMPLOYMENT DESIRED

Position Desired

(Please rank top 3 choices)

- Camp Coordinator
- Head Counselor
- Camp Counselor
- LIT (14-15 yr olds) Counselor
- Opening Counselor
- Closing Counselor
- Substitute Counselor
- Specialty Staff (teach a specific skill)
- Camp Assistant

Camp Site Desired

(Please rank choices)

- Easley
- Pickens
- Powdersville/Wren

Age Group Preference

- 4-6 yrs 7-8 yrs
- 9-10 yrs 11-13 yrs
- 14-15 yrs

Dates Available to Work:

Camp Dates: June 11 through August 17
Training Dates: May

_____ to _____

Vacation Dates:

Please tell us why you love to work with children:

In your opinion, what is the most important quality for a counselor to possess and why?

What is one thing we, as a whole, can do to improve camp this summer?

2012 Qualification Determination

Age as of **May 1, 2012** is Equal to or Over: 16 18 21

Certifications are not required to be hired	YES	NO	Expiration Date
Are you First Aid Certified?			
Are you CPR Certified?			
Are you Lifeguard Certified?			
Are you Waterfront Certified?			
Are you Ropes Course (RCI) Certified?			
Do you hold any other camp, OEE or childcare certifications? If yes, please list below:			
How many full summer seasons have you worked for the PCYMCA Camp Takoda?			
How many full summer seasons have you worked at another camp?			
How many years of college have you completed?			
Do you hold a college degree? Major:			
Have you held a leadership position at any camp? Position:			

Mark activities which you can plan, organize and teach as an expert:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Leading Songs | <input type="checkbox"/> Service Projects |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Crafts | <input type="checkbox"/> Instruments | <input type="checkbox"/> Basketball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sketching & Drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar | <input type="checkbox"/> Baseball |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Volleyball | <input type="checkbox"/> Drama Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Fitness Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team Building Games | <input type="checkbox"/> Skits | <input type="checkbox"/> Nature Walks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Challenge Activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Devotions/Worship Services | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Living Skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Archery | <input type="checkbox"/> Story Telling | <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

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