Dream Team Volunteer Description of Duties

Reports to: Camp Chef, Assistant Camp Chef, Assistant Camp Director

Purpose of Role: To assist the Camp Chef and Kitchen Assistant to prepare, provide and serve nutritious and satisfying meals for the campers, volunteers and staff at Camp Mak-A-Dream. Dream Team members also assist in providing a safe and fun experience for Camp Mak-A-Dream participants where they feel part of a community, form friendships, gain resilience and learn to live with and beyond their (or their family member’s) cancer diagnosis.

All Volunteers Must...
- Adhere to policies outlined in: Code of Conduct, Volunteer Contract, Community Agreement, Camp Manual, as well as any rules, regulations and policies outlined during their time at camp
- Actively participate in volunteer training.
- Participate in assigned responsibilities and duties with a positive and energetic attitude
- Fill out and turn in any and all pre camp paperwork 30 days before the camp session begins
- Assist in keeping your living quarters and bathroom neat and clean.

Dream Team Responsibilities:
- Work with the Camp Chef and/or Kitchen Assistant as your direct supervisor in the kitchen, dish room, dining room.
- Perform assigned duties, along with other Dream Team members in helping to prepare for, serve and clean up after meals, set and bus tables, wash dishes, sweep and mop floor as needed.
- Watch for and report any potential safety concerns.
- Participate in on-campus recycling efforts and encourage campers and staff to also participate.
- Participate in camp activities with a positive and energetic attitude.
- Dream Team members also have the opportunity to assist camp staff with leading activities such as games, crafts, or anything you’re excited to share with our campers! (this is optional)

Details of this Position:
This position requires spending most of your time working on your feet and being slightly removed from the daily activities at camp, with the opportunity to be involved with evening/all group activities and meal time interactions. Dream Team members usually report to the kitchen 60-90 minutes before a scheduled meal for prep, and typically stay 45-60 minutes after a meal to help with clean up. You would most likely live and sleep in the Wellness Center in a small private sleeping space with a bathroom shared with one other person.

We will do everything possible to include Dream Team volunteers in camp activities once kitchen duties are complete. Your supervisor will meet with you to schedule your time off and to go over the daily schedule.
During training your supervisor will meet with you to further explain the Dream Team duties. Please notify the supervisor immediately of any health issues that may prevent you from performing outlined duties; we will adjust accordingly.

Requirements and Qualifications:

- Must be able to spend long hours on your feet and lift or move heavier items on occasion.
- Previous kitchen or food service experience is preferred, but not required.
- Frequent hand-washing and wearing of appropriate attire is required.

Please note that Dream Team members should wear the following when working in the kitchen: Sleeved shirts (short or long sleeves are fine; please no tank tops), long or capri length pants (no shorts), and closed toed shoes. Anyone with medium to long hair will also be required to tie it back or put it up while performing kitchen duties. You may also be asked to wear gloves during food prep/meal service. These guidelines are provided for your safety and to ensure health standards for our entire Camp community.

A Typical Day at Camp
(times and activities vary by session and age group)

8:00     Breakfast
10:00    Activity and workshop rotations
12:30    Lunch
  1:30    FOB *(campers return to their cabins to rest)*
  2:30    Activities, free time choices
  5:00    Cabin Chat *(campers discuss topics in their cabin group)*
6:00     Dinner
  7:30    All Campus Evening Activity

Sometimes there will be an optional “Fireside Chat” for campers to discuss topics

Optional late night activities (for teen and young adult sessions)

Lights out times vary depending on camper ages

12:00     Campus Closed (for all staff and volunteers)