Camper and Staff Care Director  Sephardic Adventure Camp  

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Prior to Camp Season:

- Playing a leadership role in the planning and implementation of staff training and ongoing staff learning related to mental, emotional, social, and spiritual health (MESSH)
- Work with Directors on staff training and developing a plan for ongoing staff learning
- Develop plan to check on Mental health and wellness for campers and staff
- Review camper forms and highlight red flags
- Be in touch with parents about questions from forms in advance of camp
- Work with Nurses/Dr. on any relevant health plan issues

During Camp Season:

- Creating and implementing programming for small groups of campers focused on wellness and social-emotional learning.
- Serving as a resource to campers and staff throughout the summer in facing mental, emotional and social health challenges, and creating environments where campers can thrive.
- Managing information about camper and staff needs, and communicating those to staff, as well as documenting communication and plans within SAC’s systems.
- Communicating and managing relationships with parents/caregivers in regards to camper needs.
- Preparing reports to funding agencies in relationship to mental emotional and social health of SAC and its campers, including sharing high-level understandings of interactions and interventions taking place throughout the summer.
- Participate in Foundation for Jewish Camp’s Community of Practice as part of our camp’s place in the Yedid Nefesh program, including two or three virtual gatherings and one in-person gathering per year with other Jewish camp mental health professionals.
- Be an active presence on-site at camp as a part of the community.
- Coordinate with operations when there are physical needs of campers and staff that need tending to
- Support counselors in addressing issues/challenges that come up in bunks
- Support campers as appropriate, especially with homesick campers
- Take care of all laundry related camper emergencies.
- Be the first line of communication with campers who are homesick (meet daily with kenny on how it’s going)
- Be in charge of returning lost objects to campers- particularly after the short session
- Come in at bedtime to help with the younger campers (storytime, read books, etc)

Key Qualifications:

- Graduate-level or higher degree in a mental health field. Including, but not limited to: social work, mental health counseling, psychology, youth psychiatry, family therapy, etc.
- Prior camp experience in working with young children is preferred
  - Exceptional skill and capacity for engagement and relationship building with both children and their parents.
- Proven ability to plan, originate, and organize programs.
- Proven ability to provide emotional support to a wide range of ages.
- Strong understanding of, and a willingness to be creative with, strategies to ensure campers of varying needs can be part of a mainstreamed program.
- Be a leader, self-starter, and strong collaborator.
- Ability to accept guidance, constructive feedback, and support from teammates.

Sephardic Adventure Camp is a small 115 camper, 55 staff member Modern Orthodox overnight camp. It’s located in Cle Elum, WA (75 minutes away from Seattle).

Dates:
June 19- July 11

Compensation:
Between $3500-$4500 depending on experience with travel expenses covered

Lodging:
Will be put up in the week at a hotel 10-minute drive from camp. Will have access to a camp vehicle every day to drive back and forth. Friday night will be arranged in the limited adult housing we do have on campus.