



Volunteer Summer Camp Counselor 2019

Make an impact in your community!

What are you doing this summer?

Open your heart and mind to a new experience. This summer, you could have a profound impact on the lives of our campers and their families by supporting children with disabilities.

Join The Arc to help kids have an Amazing Summer!

Volunteer for The Arc! Be a Summer Camp Counselor

All kids love having fun in the summer! The Arc is in need of 90 youth Volunteer Summer Camp Counselors who want to make it possible for kids with developmental disabilities to have a fun filled summer.

It is a chance to develop skills, learn new experiences, gain valuable work experience, and enhance your resume for future opportunities.

The Arc offers two local summer day camps for kids with disabilities. An average of 200 kids with special needs want to attend the camp.

Volunteer Summer Camp Counselors can choose the age group and the time commitment they want to make to the camp. Opportunities depend on the camp you want to help. There are two camps to choose from.

Camp One - Partners N Pals
Camp Two - PNP Jr.- Camp 2

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for supporting our
Therapeutic Recreational Services*

Who are we looking for?

Outstanding youth who have demonstrated a commitment to the community.

- Ages 15 to 20's
- High standards of conduct
- Demonstrated service to the community and to others
- Willingness to participate in all camp activities
- Ability to participate in the trainings (see pg. 3)
- Willingness to write a one page essay on your experience

Benefits

- Opportunity to meet great people and lasting friendships.
- Participate in summer fun activities at no cost.
- Extensive training on disabilities, communication, behavior management, team work and leadership development.
- Hands-on experience leading and teaching a group of youth participants.
- An Educational Stipend after successful completion of committed camp weeks, attendance at all trainings and written essay at the conclusion of volunteering.

Camp # 1- Partners N Pals Campers Ages 7-21

Partner N Pals

- 9 week camp
- Start Date June 19th + Training starting week of June 10th and June 17th and 18th
- Help campers with developmental disabilities have summer fun
- Help campers with physical needs including but not limited to getting dressed, feeding, personal care
- Help support The Arc of Tri-Cities Dial A Ride drivers by being a Ride-A-Long to help campers travel safely to and from the camp
- Meet at The Arc on Mondays at 8:00am and approximately 8:30 to 9:00 the rest of the week depending on your route, will be done at 3:45 to 4:15pm

When:

The camp is offered weekly. Some weeks are only 3 days long but are still treated as a week.

- Week 1 - Wed, June 19 - Fri, June 21 (3 days)
- Week 2 - Mon, June 24 - Fri, July 28
- Week 3 - Mon, July 1 - Wed, July 3 (3 days)
- Week 4 - Mon, July 8 - Fri, July 12
- Week 5 - Mon, July 15 - Fri, July 19
- Week 6 - Mon, July 22 - Fri, July 26
- Week 7 - Mon, July 29- Fri, Aug, 2
- Week 8 - Mon, Aug 5 - Fri, Aug 9
- Week 9 - Mon, Aug 12 - Fri, Aug 16

What will you be doing?

As a Volunteer Summer Camp Counselor you will be assigned 1-4 campers to watch over and help them with safety, personal care needs, and assisting them with activities, swimming, bowling, crafts etc...

You will have the chance to ride the vans that help pick up campers and assist them

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throughout the day to have a great summer.

Where:

The Arc of Tri-Cities is planning on having 3 camp sites if sufficient campers plan on attending.

Richland Camp at Carmichael Middle School
620 Thayer Dr. Richland

Kennewick Camp at Chinook Middle School
4891 W. 27th Ave. Kennewick

Pasco—No location has been set as of yet.

Swim or get wet daily

Partners 'N Pals kids swim daily. Swimming occurs in public pools. The following is helpful in making swimming a fun experience,

- Swimsuits need to be modest and durable
 - ⇒ 1 piece for girls or tankini that covers stomach
 - ⇒ No speedos for boys
- No cutoffs
- Swimsuits must be lined—Swimming pools require all boys swimsuits to have a liner



Camp # 1

Partners N Pals

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Stipends for Partners N Pals

Stipends vary depending on positions and length of service. Only one, three (3) day can be counted towards the commitment.

Each Summer Camp counselor will receive a stipend based on their contract agreement. If during the camp you would like to extend your contract a week please talk to the Site Director.

Stipend checks are mailed two weeks out after completion of time and submittal of the essay.

Partners 'N Pals camp is

- \$325 for 3 week commitment
- \$425 for 4 week commitment
- \$525 for 5 week commitment

Training

The Arc of Tri-Cities Camp provides a thorough orientation and continuous training for the program. Volunteer Summer Camp Counselors will be trained on how to work with individuals who have special needs – to include child development, hygiene and personal care, behavior management, disability information, and camp policies and procedures.

Training is mandatory for all new and returning volunteers. Training Dates include:

June 11 at 5:30 pm-8:00 pm @ The Arc of Tri-Cities
June 15 at 9:00 am - 3:00 pm @ The Arc of Tri-Cities
June 17 at 9:00 am– 4:00 pm @ United Way Building
June 18 at 9:00 am - 4:00 pm @ United Way Building

Essay

Each Volunteer Summer Camp Counselor will be asked to write a short essay about your experience. The Arc of Tri-Cities values your input and will use stories to help us report to our donors and market to future volunteers.

How to Apply?

- Complete an application online at www.arcoftricities.com (paper copies are available by pdf if needed).
- Set an interview time
- Bring a letter of recommendation to your interview from a teacher, mentor, someone you have volunteered for.

When will I know if I have been accepted?

Volunteer Summer Camp Counselors are selected based on their ability to serve campers, attend all trainings, fulfill committed time requirement, and service experience.

Volunteer Summer Camp Counselors who interview by May 24th will know May 30th if they have been accepted. If you interview after May 24th we will be notified by June 5th.

All applicants will be interviewed and eligibility determined prior to camp training dates.

Camp #2-PNP Jr.

Campers Ages 2-7

PNP Jr.

- PNP Jr. (campers ages 2-7)
- 4 weeks of summer Monday– Thursday
- Start Date July 15th + training on July 17th
- Camp time is 9:00 am to 11:30 am
- LITS Hours are 8:45 am –11:45 am
- Meet at Keewaidin Discovery Center in Kennewick
- Help young campers learn how to play with others and have fun doing it

When:

The camp is offered weekly:

Monday– Thursday 9:00am to 11:30am

- Week 1 - Mon, July 15 - Thru, July 18
- Week 2 - Mon, July 22 - Thru, July 25
- Week 3 - Mon, July 29 - Fri, Aug 1
- Week 4 - Mon, Aug 5- Fri, Aug 9

Where:

PNP Jr. will be at Keewaydin Discovery Center

- 202 South Dayton St. Kennewick WA

What will you be doing?

As a Volunteer Summer Camp Counselor you will be assigned campers to watch over and help them with safety, personal care needs, and assisting them with activities, water play, sports and crafts etc...

Educational Stipends

Stipends vary depending on positions and length of service. Stipend checks are mailed two weeks out after completion of time and submittal of the essay.

PNP Jr.—2 week commitment is \$125

PNP Jr.—4 week commitment is \$250



How to Apply?

- Complete an application online at www.arcoftricity.com
- Set an interview time
- Bring a letter of recommendation to your interview from a teacher, mentor, someone you have volunteered for.

When will I know if I have been accepted?

Summer Camp Counselors are selected based on their ability to serve campers, attend all trainings, fulfill committed time requirement, and service experience.

Volunteer Camp Counselors for PNP Jr. who interview by June 30th will know July 2nd if they have been accepted.

If you interview after June 30th we will be notified by July 8th .

All applicants will be interviewed and eligibility determined prior to camp training dates.

Essay

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Training

The Arc of Tri-Cities Camp provides a thorough orientation training for the program. Training is mandatory for all new and returning volunteers. Training Day for PNP Jr. is the following:

July 17th at 10:00 am - 3:00 pm @ The Arc of Tri-Cities



Insurance:

It is the responsibility of every individual, their parent, or legal guardian to provide for his/her own accident and health coverage while participating in all The Arc of Tri-Cities activities.

The Arc of Tri-Cities does not provide any accident or health coverage for its participants and/or volunteers

Contacting the Camp:

Site Directors are responsible for day operations of their camp and may be reached by phone between 8:30-9:30 am starting June 10. Phone Extensions for Partners N Pals are as follows 783-1131...

Ext. 105 Donna Tracy—Program Director of Recreation

Site Directors—Returning calls starting June 10

- Ext. 150 Richland Camp
- Ext. 151 Kennewick Camp
- Ext. 152 Pasco Camp

What other requirements should I

be aware of?

- All Summer Camp Counselors are responsible for their own transportation to and from The Arc of Tri-Cities offices.
- Failure to show up on committed days will require make-up days to be served, to be approved in advance by the Site Director.
- All Summer Camp Counselors are required to arrive 15 minutes prior to their can leaving at the beginning of camp every day at their assigned site.
- Summer Camp Counselors must attend a weekly Monday Morning Meeting at The Arc of Tri-Cities offices at 8am. On the weeks they have committed to.