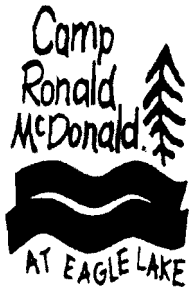




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Subject: Practicum Hours/Experience

Dear Sirs:

I am writing to you in the hopes that you will promote Camp Ronald McDonald at Eagle Lake's Program Specialist Positions. We need Program Specialists to plan, implement and organize our program activities. The positions will provide an individual the experience of working with a variety of populations including Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, developmental delays, autism, PDD, ADD/HD, muscular dystrophy, hearing imparities, and mental health issues. Past employees from Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, California, Ohio, Illinois, Minnesota and Texas have walked away with skills, knowledge and wonderful memories. Our positions are the perfect compliment to any Recreation Therapy, Community Recreation or Recreation/Leisure Studies.

Let me tell you a little more about our organization. Camp Ronald McDonald is a fully accessible residential camp for kids with special needs. We are located in the high Sierra on the grounds of beautiful Eagle Lake. A project of Ronald McDonald House Charities Northern California, the goal of Camp Ronald McDonald is to provide confidence-building experiences to children who are "at-risk", disadvantaged and/or living with physical or emotional disabilities. Our programs are designed to support each camper's individuality through the challenges of outdoor group living and teamwork in a supportive environment.

Camp Ronald McDonald opened in 1992 under the umbrella of Eagle Lake Children's Charities. We served 30 disadvantaged and disabled campers during that first year and began to grow steadily. In 1997, Eagle Lake Children's Charity merged with a McDonald's cooperative of owner/operators in Northern California to form Ronald McDonald House Charities Northern California (RMHCNC). (The cooperative also helped to build a Ronald McDonald House in Sacramento, providing a "home-away-from-home" for families of critically ill and injured children).

Our facility sits on 35 acres on the shores of beautiful Eagle Lake in the middle of Lassen National Forest. Our site boasts 9 cabins (sleeping 13 each), two shower houses, dining hall, amphitheater, camp fire pit, beach volleyball courts, fully accessible dock and water front, basketball courts and a grassy playing field. In addition to our beautiful layout and environment, we offer an array of programs adapted to meet the individual needs of each camper. We staff experienced and well trained specialists in the fields of drama, arts & crafts, outdoor education, sports and waterfront activities. Camp Ronald McDonald also accommodates special dietary requests while still offering a wonderful variety of nutritious and delicious foods to fuel our campers throughout the day.

Please encourage your students to visit our website www.campronald.org for job descriptions and application. I have enclosed a flyer to post and please feel free to contact if there are any questions. **Deadline for applications is February 27, 2009.**

Sincerely,

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Camp Ronald McDonald at Eagle Lake