



Ramapo
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Dear Director,

Camp Ramapo is currently hiring ropes course instructors for our summer program, and we would like to enlist your aid in announcing this unique educational opportunity to your students.

Ramapo is one of the few residential summer camps serving children with emotional, behavioral, and learning problems, and provides a safe, predictable, and highly structured environment. An overall one-to-one staff-to-camper ratio helps children who have repeatedly met with failure to experience success. Our adventure-based experiential activities (cooperative games, initiatives, high and low ropes courses, and a climbing tower) play a critical role in our program by encouraging and reinforcing the development of positive social and learning skills.

Our Challenge program staff is provided with 6 full days of training focused on facilitation and technical skills, as well as 6 additional days of training related to working with children with special needs at Ramapo. Camp Ramapo offers staff members a salary, room and board and travel reimbursement for employment from June 15 through August 21, 2009. During the course of the summer, Challenge counselors gain over 200 hours of facilitation experience and over 150 hours of ongoing training from experienced professionals who offer individualized supervision and support throughout the summer.

The enclosed flyer provides more information on this position. We hope that you will target students with leadership skills, a strong interest in adventure programming, and a commitment to children with special needs for this experience. Interested students are encouraged to visit our web site for more information and to apply on-line. They may also call us to discuss this opportunity further.

An additional benefit to this position is the opportunity to take an on-site college course through the National Program for Non-Collegiate Sponsored Instruction. This course can be listed on an official university transcript for 6 semester hours of college credit through Excelsior College in New York. This course is open to any high school graduate entering college. The course can be credited in one of the following disciplines: Education, Special Education, Educational Psychology, Therapeutic Recreation, Group Dynamics, Outdoor Recreation, Physical Education, Recreation, Camp Counseling, or Community Service.

Thank you for apprising your students of this excellent opportunity for personal and professional development.

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Director

Sincerely,

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