

Gracefield Christian Camp and Retreat Center

Ministry Position: Lifeguard

Report to: Wilderness Director, Base Camp Director and/or Camp Manager or designate.

Schedule and commitment: July to August. This is a 24-hour responsibility, with time off each day. In addition staff receive one 32 hour period off each week.

General description: Lifeguards maintain and supervise the waterfront programs and activities, in coordination with the Waterfront Team, for the camp and camp guests. They are responsible to implement and supervise a safe, fun and beneficial program that supports the mission of the camp. Lifeguards are also responsible in assisting with the operation of the canoe program, including proper care of the boats and providing boating sessions and/or lessons.

Specific Responsibilities:

- Be aware of and adhere to all ACQ (Association des Camps du Québec) standards and camp regulations and policies including what is set out in the GCCRC staff manual.
- Attend and participate in all pre-camp training.
- Provide aquatic supervision for all waterfront activities, guarding and facilitating swimming activities/lessons during cabin sessions and free swim. Conduct swim tests and review waterfront rules with campers at opening day free swim.
- Guard and facilitate watercraft sessions teaching basic parts of boats and paddles, strokes and safety
- Support the planning of out-trips
- Communicate and report problems quickly and efficiently to the Waterfront Coordinator, Program Staff and/or Camp Manager.

Qualifications and Necessary Skills:

1. Certified in NLS (National Lifeguard Service)
2. Standard first aid and CPR
3. Lifeguarding experience
4. Demonstrates a strong Christian faith and a willingness to serve
5. Experience working with children/youth
6. Experience in canoeing with ORCKA level 4 preferable