SYP Day Counselor Job Description

Basics:
- June 8 - August 1, 2015 (up to seven weeks of employment)
- Must attend portions of a paid Summer Youth Programs Orientation (June 16 - 20)
- Base salary: $326.00 a week
- Meals during a work shift will be provided in the residence hall
- Hours are typically 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday

Requirements:
- Have completed at least one year of college or have equivalent experience
- Valid United States driver's license with less than 6 points (MI or other state equivalent) and have completed and passed the Michigan Tech Public Safety Van online test. Please contact our office before and after you complete the test in order to obtain the necessary account information.
- Understand that you are a role-model to the students attending the programs and therefore must follow all student rules
- Have flexibility/adaptability (plans constantly change based on student demands)
- Welcome diversity and enjoy working with students from many different cultural, ethnic, and economic backgrounds
- Always support the rules of the program (the number one priority is to ensure the safety of our students). Be willing to be a counselor (authority figure) first, and a friend second
- Maintain a positive work atmosphere by behaving and communicating in a manner that supports students, staff, parents, and the public in general
- As counseling is a full-time position, you must obtain prior written approval to report any other hours (over-time) worked on the Michigan Tech campus for the duration of your counseling employment. Violation of this policy could result in termination of your employment with Youth Programs
- Has to pass a state of Michigan background check

Duties/Responsibilities:
- Design and display signs advertising nightly activities
- Supervise and interact with participants during their lunch break (generally 12:00 - 1:15 pm)
- Assist instructors by driving and supervising during field trips
- Assist Residence Hall Coordinators and Transportation Coordinator with tasks as assigned
- Create a sense of community between program participants and counseling staff
- Work as a team with other counselors (including Activity/Residence Counselors), sharing information and duties
- Be energetic and have a positive attitude
- Ensure the safety of participants at all times

Desired Qualifications:
- Valid lifeguard certification
- Experience working with youth in a mentoring situation