



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE  
of THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



**Pocono Plateau Camp & Retreat Center**  
**2012 - PAID SUMMER STAFF APPLICATION**

**Our Mission:**

*As a ministry of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church we provide safe, meaningful, enjoyable experiences in camp and retreat settings that lead people to new and renewed life in Jesus Christ.*

*We partner with local congregations to be in mission for God through Christ, our Lord and Savior: calling persons to new life in Jesus Christ nurturing their journey as disciples, and addressing the needs of the communities in which they live.*

**General Qualifications for All Camp Staff Personnel**

- Affirm personal faith in God, our Father, in Jesus Christ, our Savior, and in the Holy Spirit, our Guide and Sustainer.
- Seek to be effective witnesses in the world as a part of the Body of Christ. Accept the call to minister wherever Christ would have you serve, and witness in words that heal and free.
- Participate actively in a local church or college fellowship and be recommended by a local pastor. Work cooperatively with other staff members in a close-knit team relationship.
- Attend all scheduled training events.
- Be committed to participation in all aspects of the camping program, and be willing to make all necessary preparations for the Christian Camping experience.
- Complete and abide by contractual agreement regarding general job responsibilities and specific expectations including all applicants age 18 and over submitting to a mandatory Child Line and Criminal History check.
- Accept and act in accordance with the principle that campers are our guests, and that all staff actions are to be directed toward the fulfillment of programmatic objectives and the facilitation of an enriching, faith-enhancing experience for each individual camper.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Initial

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_ College Address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Internet blogs or social networking sites (Facebook Profile Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

EDUCATION: You are currently attending (circle one): High School College Grad School Other \_\_\_\_\_

School currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade/Class finished this June (circle one) Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

CHURCH/COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP AFFILIATION: Name of church/fellowship you currently attend:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's/Leader's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CAMP EXPERIENCE:** What prior camp experience do you have? List camp, year, position (staff, volunteer, camper), and supervisor.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:** *List most recent employer first.*

1. _____	Employer	Address	Phone Number
_____	Supervisor	Title of Supervisor	
_____	Dates of employment	Position/Duties	
2. _____	Employer	Address	Phone Number
_____	Supervisor	Title of Supervisor	
_____	Dates of employment	Position/Duties	
3. _____	Employer	Address	Phone Number
_____	Supervisor	Title of Supervisor	
_____	Dates of employment	Position/Duties	

**REQUIRED REFERENCES:** List three (3)--(examples - school teachers/professors, Sunday School teachers, youth pastor, boss and/or co-workers, coaches, church members, neighbors, etc). Your pastor will be used as a reference from the previous section. **Please do not use relatives. Give complete name, address, and phone number.**

1. Name and Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  

Street	City	State	Zip
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2. Name and Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  

Street	City	State	Zip
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3. Name and Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_  

Street	City	State	Zip
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Do you have a legal right to reside in and accept employment in the United States? no\_\_\_ yes\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of an offense against the law, or forfeited collateral? no\_\_\_ yes\_\_\_

If yes, give details and disposition on separate sheet. An affirmative answer is not an automatic denial of employment.

Staff is hired without regard to race, color, national origin, or sex.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH:** (Feel free to attach an additional page)

1. Why do you want to work at a Christian camp? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What God given gifts/ability/talents will you bring to this ministry? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. State what Jesus Christ means in your life TODAY: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Please state clearly your personal convictions on and whether you consume any of the following:

1. Alcoholic beverages: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Illegal drugs: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Tobacco: \_\_\_\_\_

**POSITION DESIRED:** List below the position(s) for which you are applying, in preferential order.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Staff Training will begin on June 11, 2012.** Are you available to start on this date? \_\_\_\_\_

**Camp will end on August 13, 2012.** Are you available for the entire summer through these dates? \_\_\_\_\_

If not, what dates do you need time-off and for what reason \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** In signing this application, including attached sheets, I affirm I have answered all questions completely and accurately. I promise, if accepted as a staff member, to be subject to the standards and guidelines of the camp. I understand by giving my time and talent that I am serving Jesus Christ.

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature, if applicant under 18: \_\_\_\_\_

**Child abuse is a serious criminal offense. As a camp employee, you will have the responsibility of caring for and supervising children. Your duties will be very important and also challenging. Please read the following statement with regard to your duties concerning child abuse and sign on the line designated:**

*I hereby understand and agree that it is my duty under the law, and as a representative of Jesus Christ, to avoid, prevent and report the abuse (physical, verbal or sexual) of any child under my care, in an effort to provide a safe environment and quality development in a Christian camp setting.*

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

**(This information is important to us, although it will not be a determining factor in employment.)**

List any musical instrument(s) you play : \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a current driver's license? \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Class(es) \_\_\_\_\_

Check any activities in which you are skilled or have leadership ability:

- |                  |     |                  |     |                   |     |
|------------------|-----|------------------|-----|-------------------|-----|
| cooking          | ___ | archery          | ___ | tag games         | ___ |
| carpentry        | ___ | kayaking         | ___ | indoor games      | ___ |
| maintenance      | ___ | canoeing         | ___ | volleyball        | ___ |
| outdoor cooking  | ___ | boating          | ___ | soccer            | ___ |
| swimming         | ___ | fire building    | ___ | orientteering     | ___ |
| arts & crafts    | ___ | camp craft       | ___ | belaying          | ___ |
| creative drama   | ___ | fishing          | ___ | rock climbing     | ___ |
| nature crafts    | ___ | Bible study      | ___ | rappelling        | ___ |
| nature hikes     | ___ | worship services | ___ | low ropes course  | ___ |
| campfire program | ___ | song leading     | ___ | high ropes course | ___ |
| worship services | ___ | other _____      |     | zip line          | ___ |
| guitar playing   | ___ | other _____      |     | leadership        | ___ |

Any Certifications? Lifeguarding, Challenge Course, etc? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you any training and/or experience in leading a person to Jesus Christ? no \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ If yes, please share briefly.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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Please mail your application directly to:

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**Camp: "A safe place where precious people can do extraordinary ministry."**