



GIRLS WITHOUT LIMITS! VOLUNTEER

Program Overview

Girls Without Limits! (GWOL!) is a low-cost weekend, spring break and summer camp program that encourages girls ages 10-14 to develop skills in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), gain career awareness via mentorship with professional women, and foster self-esteem and leadership skills in a positive and fun learning environment. Adolescent girls face a lot of social pressure. GWOL! empowers them to believe in themselves, no matter their gender, sexuality, culture, personal history, ethnicity, or socio-economic background. Volunteers play a critical role in GWOL!, sharing their skills and wisdom. We are always looking for mentors who are willing to donate time and talent to support GWOL!.

Activities and Tasks

- Attend camps to provide support for program facilitator in implementation of program curriculum
- Provide mentorship to all GWOL! participants and help them build skills, motivation and confidence.
- Support girls through ongoing one-to-one and group relationship; serve as positive role model and friend
- Promote safety and respect amongst all participants

May Include

- Assist facilitator with the development of activities
- Work in consultation with program facilitator to identify programming needs and directions, and develop plans for program delivery
- Identify and connect with local resources and partners to enhance program delivery and coordination, as directed by program director and/or facilitator
- Assist with other day-to-day operations, such as photocopying, supply inventory, clean-up and other tasks
- Promote programs and activities in the broader community, as directed by program director and/or facilitator
- Assist in maintaining appropriate records and statistics

General Qualifications

- Ability to communicate with youth openly, respectfully and without judgment
- Ability to establish relationships based on shared responsibility and respect
- Sensitivity to persons of different educational, economic, cultural and racial backgrounds
- Practical problem solving skills and ability to suggest options and alternatives
- Patient and flexible
- Ability to work independently and be self-directed
- Be at least 16 years of age

Strongly Preferred

- Strong community outreach and public relations skills and ability to liaise with community partners and leaders
- Good organizational and time management skills

- Relevant education and/or work experience in human services, education or related field, with an emphasis in working with children and youth is beneficial
- Program planning and facilitation experience an asset

Timeframe and Hours

GWOL! volunteers are needed during Saturday camps in Olympia, Chehalis and Shelton. Saturday camps are held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday of the month. Volunteers are also needed in Olympia during Spring Break Camp on April 4th-8th. 2016 GWOL! Volunteers are asked to sign up for a full day or session of camp.

Training will include a YWCA volunteer orientation and on-the-job training with the program facilitator and program intern.

Please contact Rachel Greene, Program Facilitator, for more information or to sign up as a volunteer!

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