

**DIETARY SPECIALIST** 

#### **SEASONAL JOB DESCRIPTION**

#### **Contract Details**

**Reports To:** Food Services Manager **Period:** May, June, July & August; summer-only employment is an option **Honorarium:** \$325 per week if working 4+ weeks (plus room & board)

## Mission

Camp Mini-Yo-We is a Christian summer camp and year-round retreat centre located on beautiful Mary Lake in Muskoka, Ontario. Our mission is to to develop tomorrow's leaders through life-changing adventures in God's creation.

## **Position Description**

As part of the Food Services team, a Dietary Specialist's primary goal is to provide a great food service experience for campers, staff and guest groups. In May and June, they help prepare meals for our staff and guest groups while becoming familiar with Camp's kitchens, systems, recipes and approach to special diets and allergies. In July and August, we run three kitchens to support approximately 400-500 campers, staff and volunteers each week. During this period, our team of Dietary Specialists helps serve individuals with special dietary needs—some weeks we have up to 60 people with special diets. This involves communicating with the parents of campers as well as meal planning, preparation and delivery at set times daily. They also assist adult volunteer cooks with preparing meals for guests without special dietary needs.

This position is an excellent opportunity to gain experience and expand skills in nutrition and cooking. It's a lot of work but it's very rewarding! Dietary Specialists are part of an amazing team of summer staff who love Camp and serving together. They have opportunities to enjoy Muskoka and our facility during time off.

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# **Key Responsibilities**

- **Preparing Meals** Work in one of our three kitchens preparing meals for both individuals with special diets as well as other guests.
- **Meal Planning & Communication** Develop specialized meal plans for individuals. Contact guests or parents of campers to discuss special dietary needs.
- **Supporting Adult Volunteers** Camp has weekly adult volunteers who help to prepare food. You will provide consistency and support for our Food Services staff and volunteers.
- Cleaning Help to keep kitchens clean, open them for the season, etc.

# **Qualifications & Attributes**

- **Basic Knowledge of Food Services Standards & Regulations** Understanding of the general functioning and safety standards of a commercial kitchen.
- **Familiar With Dietary Restrictions** Knowledge regarding the preparation of food for individuals who are gluten-free, dairy-free, vegetarian, vegan and more. Understanding of the risks associated with allergies and special diets.
- Quick Learner Eager to develop new skills and grow as an individual.
- **Self-Motivated** Takes initiative and responsibility for assigned tasks.
- **Organized** Plans ahead, anticipates needs and prioritizes tasks.
- **Servant-Hearted** Has a servant attitude, being flexible and willing to pitch in and assist as part of the team.
- **Good Communicator** Demonstrates strong communication skills with parents and guardians, suppliers, children, staff and other guests.
- Enthusiastic & Approachable Presents an upbeat and pleasant personality with a helpful attitude towards all.
- **Problem Solver** Remains calm under pressure and deals with challenging situations wisely and selflessly.
- **Good Listener** Creates a safe space and is attentive to the needs of others.
- Willing to Grow Be a teachable person of integrity.
- Food Safety Certification It can be obtained prior to arriving at Camp if needed.
- **G2 or G Driver's Licence** Possession of driver's licence is preferred.

### **Your Support**

- Your Supervisor The Food Services Manager will support and mentor you during your time at Camp with 1-on-1's, encouragement, development and prayer.
- Your Spiritual Health Seasonal Operations staff are given time each day to spend with Jesus and the Bible if they wish. You will also have the option to connect with other staff, read and discuss the Bible and pray together daily.
- Your Mental Health Each week, we welcome Jordan Mason, our counsellor friend, to Camp. He is available for free 30-minute 1-on-1 appointments with staff members who would like extra support.

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## **Conditions of Work & Benefits**

- You will be provided with accommodation that is shared with other staff on property as well as all your meals while employed.
- If working for 4+ weeks, you will receive a weekly honorarium.
- Working at Camp is physically demanding, with long stretches on the go without a rest. You will have daily time off as well as 1 day off a week in the summer and 2 days off a week in the spring.
- You will agree to understand Camp Mini-Yo-We's <u>Guidelines for Community Living</u> and abide by them while serving on our team.

#### **Next Steps!**

If you have any questions about this position, please contact Jessica Meadows, our Food Services Manager, at jessica@miniyowe.com or 705-385-2629.

Express interest or apply online at www.campmyw.com/staff.

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