

Horton Center Summer Staff - Frequently Asked Questions



What are the camp sessions like at Horton Center?

Camp sessions typically last one week for campers in grades 3-12. Horton Center also offers several camping opportunities for adults and families. Our primary goal is to provide campers with a safe space to be their authentic selves in the natural world in order to explore their faith and grow as servant leaders.

What is the summer schedule like for staff?

Staff training begins in mid June at Horton Center. The camping season typically begins in late June/early July. The regular camp season ends in early August with opportunities for work on several weekends throughout the following months.

What are the weekly responsibilities of Summer Staff?

Weekly assignments depend upon individual camp session needs. Staff are involved in the leadership of camp activities such as rock climbing, arts and crafts, swimming, archery, and more! Staff are also responsible for the cleaning and maintenance of camp. Staff receive 24 hours off each week.

What benefits are included in the job?

Benefits include paid training, lodging, meals, staff shirt, and laundry. Some receive lifeguard or ropes training. Ask us how camp builds your resumé better than any other summer job.

What is the typical salary for a Summer Staff member?

Salaries for new summer staff start at \$58/day based on position & experience (includes room and board). Returning staff receive a raise. Since basic needs are provided, most staff save more of what they earn compared with friends in other jobs at home.

What are the living quarters like?

Staff members live in cabins separate from campers, typically with one-three other staff members as roommates. These lovely cabins include beds, storage space for clothing and a bathroom with a shower.

Can I leave camp on my day off?

Staff members are permitted to leave camp during their day off. The surrounding area is full of fun opportunities for hiking, swimming and sight-seeing. Camp is also close to North Conway, NH which is a great place for shopping and delicious food.

What is a typical day like for staff?

A typical day for staff begins with breakfast in the Spirit Lodge, our main dining hall on site. Staff eat all meals at the same time as campers. Each day a different staff member helps prepare breakfast, so a few times a week you may help prepare and serve breakfast. After all of the meals at camp some staff help clean dishes, clean the kitchen and put away food. Staff spend their afternoons leading activities such as Faith Discovery Groups, rock climbing, caving, music activities, archery, swimming, arts and crafts and so much more! Throughout the week each staff member is assigned tasks around camp such as cleaning bathrooms, helping in the kitchen, or general camp maintenance. Before lunch we have one 90-minute activity block, and after lunch and our hour-long siesta we have two more activity blocks broken up by Ice Cream time (yum!). Staff eat lunch and dinner seated at tables with campers. After dinner each night we have a worship service that staff are sometimes a part of leading and often a part of as attendees. Following the vespers service each evening there is a different evening program during which the staff participate or lead fun activities for the entire camp!