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## Special Camps for Special Kids Camp John Marc

# THINK SUMMER!!

Camp John Marc is a year round camp specially designed to serve campers who have a chronic illness or physical disability. Camp John Marc is located in Meridian, Texas, 85 miles southwest of Dallas in Bosque County, the top of the beautiful Texas hill county!

## *We Need You . . .*

. . . to help us fulfill our mission of providing campers with a high quality camping experience in a natural outdoor setting. We believe this empowering experience and the skills campers gain while at camp positively impact the camper year round.

## 2007 CAMP DATES

May 21	-	May 25	Staff Training
May 26	-	June 1	Kids who have Kidney Disease
June 2	-	June 8	Kids who are Burn Survivors
June 9	-	June 15	Kids who have Spina Bifida
June 16	-	June 22	Kids who have Muscular Dystrophy
June 23	-	June 29	Kids who have Heart Disease
June 30	-	July 6	Kids who have Cancer
July 7	-	July 13	Kids who have Sickle Cell Anemia
July 14	-	July 20	Kids who have Hemophilia
July 21	-	July 27	Kids who have Cancer
July 28	-	August 3	Kids who have Juvenile Arthritis
August 4	-	August 10	Kids who have Severe Asthma

## *Think Summer at Camp John Marc*

Each year a select 24 member team works to provide over 1,200 campers with a high quality week at camp. Members of our team must possess the skills and talents necessary to lead one or more activities at camp. Team members must be flexible and child focused. If you are interested in applying please fill out the enclosed application and return it to our Dallas office.



# Camp John Marc

## 2007 SUMMER STAFF POSITIONS

Over the course of the summer, the majority of staff members will fill both activity leader and cabin counselor roles. To apply for a position, you must have completed your freshman year of college by June 2007 and meet each of the skill requirements for a particular area. If you feel you have the required skills but not the certifications, we offer several certification clinics the week prior to staff training. Following is a description of our activity leader positions.



### Archery Instructor

#### Responsibilities

Daily safety check of equipment

Archery equipment kept 100% functioning

Ensure safety regulations are followed at all times

Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities

#### Required Certifications

First Aid, CPR, Basic Archery Instructor

### Canoeing/Kayaking Instructor

#### Responsibilities

Knowledge of canoe and kayak procedures

Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities

Ensure that safety regulations are followed

#### Required Certifications

Lifeguard Training, First Aid, CPR, Canoeing certification/Kayak training

### Cabin Counselor

#### Responsibilities

Work with a team of two other counselors to supervise and care for 6-8 campers

Knowledge of campers' medical needs after training

Knowledge of program, schedule, activities, policies, and procedures after training

Attend activity areas with campers

Provide necessary daily personal care

### Challenge Course Instructor

#### Responsibilities

Daily safety check of equipment

Daily set up and break down of elements

Lead group games, initiatives, and low elements

Implement "challenge by choice" philosophy

#### Required Certifications

Challenge Course certification, First Aid, CPR

## Creative Arts Leader

### Responsibilities

Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities in Music, Drama, Film, Arts and Crafts, Pottery, Creative Writing, Photography, etc  
Encourage self-expression through the process of creating plays, movies, art projects, stories  
Display camper art work

## Fishing Leader

### Responsibilities

Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities  
Plan and implement special fishing activities  
Ensure that safety regulations are followed

### Required Certifications

Lifeguard Training, First Aid, CPR

## Outdoor

## Adventure/Nature Leader

### Responsibilities

Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities  
Daily care of any small animals  
Share appreciation for all aspects of nature at Camp  
Lead activities in the Star Lab-requires basic knowledge of astronomy and constellations

## Life Guard

### Responsibilities

Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities  
Demonstrate rescue and emergency procedures  
Ensure that safety regulations are followed

### Required Certifications

Lifeguard Training, First Aid, CPR

## Sports and Games Leader

### Responsibilities

Teach a variety of sports and games to a diverse camper group  
Adapt sports and games each week according to the particular diagnosis  
Lead group games, initiatives, and low elements  
Ensure that safety regulations are followed

## Wrangler

### Responsibilities

Work with and evaluate horses  
Evaluate and classify campers' riding ability  
Plan, implement, and evaluate daily activities  
Daily check and care of horses and equipment

### Required Certifications

Certification from an organization or riding school with instructor training (i.e., CHA), First Aid, and CPR

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# Camp John Marc

## 2007 Summer Staff Nuts and Bolts

- ☆ Summer 2007 salary is \$200 a week. All position assignments are based on age, education, and experience.
- ☆ Each staff member gets one paid week off
- ☆ Each staff member is off every Friday by 12:00 pm to Saturday at 1:00 pm. Five times during the summer each staff member is off the entire weekend from Friday at 12:00 pm to Sunday at 12:00 pm.
- ☆ Staff members live in comfortable, air conditioned, duplex style lodging. Each side of the lodge sleeps four staff members and has two bedrooms, one large bathroom, a living area, a washing machine and dryer, and a small kitchenette.
- ☆ Each week staff members are paired with a host cabin. Hosting a cabin is a great way to build relationships with campers. As a host you eat all of your meals with the same group of campers and spend time in the cabin each night after evening activities.
- ☆ Projects are an especially unique component of the Camp John Marc program. In addition to regular camp activities, each camper chooses one project to participate in each day. Projects are a unique time for skill development and growth. Projects are a great way for CJM staff to share their special talents with campers.
- ☆ Each CJM staff member receives two uniform camp shirts to be worn on Sundays and Fridays for camper arrival and departure and many more camp shirts throughout the summer!

**If you can't commit to spending the entire summer at  
Camp John Marc . . .**

**Think About Volunteering One or a Few Weeks**

*Each week a team of volunteers serves in the role of cabin counselors. Three volunteer counselors provide supervision and care to a cabin of 6-8 campers. Contact the Camp John Marc office for more information on volunteer opportunities.*