

# Afterschool Senior Counselor (Coney Island Ymca)

YMCA of Greater New York

Coney Island, NY 11224

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# **Organization Statement**

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The Coney Island YMCA is seeking Afterschool Senior Counselors. The Afterschool Senior

Counselor will play a critical role in the successful operation of the Y Afterschool program, including Holiday Camps. They will be responsible for providing a safe and positive environment for school-age children, providing opportunities for learning, interaction, and academic/personal growth.

Y Afterschool programs operate Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., and during public-school breaks.

### Responsibilities

- Ensure the health, safety, and well-being of participants in the program by providing appropriate supervision at all times.
- Plan and implement meaningful activities, lesson plans, and special events that are ageappropriate, exciting, challenging, and value-based in arts, STEM, character development/SEL, creative expression, community service, physical fitness, and nutrition.
- Prepare the learning environment, lessons, and necessary supplies for program activities.
- Support the coordination and presentation of a culminating performance at the end of the program cycle, if applicable.
- Provide support to Activity Specialists with activity implementation.
- Assist participants with homework and academic enhancement activities.
- Work cooperatively with the program and school staff.
- Promote an inclusive, welcoming, and respectful environment that embraces the diversity of all participants.
- Create and maintain a strength-based, youth-focused atmosphere that is consistent and sensitive to the needs of participants with learning, emotional, or behavioral differences.
- Serve as a positive role model for participants.
- Maintain accurate program documentation (sign-in/out forms, behavior reports, and incident reports, as appropriate).
- Understand and communicate the YMCA's core values and the goals of the Y Afterschool program to participants and caregivers.
- Develop and maintain positive relationships with parents/guardians and caregivers through regular communication regarding their child's strengths and areas for growth.
- Actively participate in training sessions, designated meetings, and special events.

#### **Qualifications**

- High school diploma or equivalent required. College credits preferred.
- Minimum of two (2) years of experience working with youth under the age of 13 in a group setting is required.
- General knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint required.
- Strong interpersonal skills, leadership qualities, and comfortable working with diverse youth and adults.
- Must be available to work Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Minimum Education Level: Highschool Graduate or GED
- Preferred Education Level: Some College Credits

## **Application Instructions**

If you would like to be a member of our dynamic team, please complete our <u>online application</u> and submit your résumé and a thoughtful cover letter that explains your interest in the role and our organization.

#### **Additional Information**

#### **Benefits:**

The YMCA of Greater New York offers a variety of benefits to its staff members, including retirement benefits, medical, paid time off, free YMCA membership, and more! Benefit eligibility is determined by an individual's employment status (i.e., full-time or part-time), tenure, and/or the number of hours scheduled to work. Click here for more information.

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