

## **Camp Ramah in Northern California** ***Job Description***

Job Title: Rosh Shira/Songleader and Music Specialist

Classification: **Nonexempt (Seasonal)**

Reports to: *Performing Arts Director/Program Director*

All Staff Report to the Camp Director

### Position Purpose:

Signing and Music are important parts of the camp culture. The music specialist is responsible for planning and implementing song sessions. The songleader often serves in the capacity of accompanist for musical performances, plays, and camp-wide presentations. The songleader will be part of the performing arts staff.

### Essential Job Functions:

- Responsible for leading groups in Jewish, Hebrew and secular singing sessions. Including full camp singing.
- Develop a culture of song and ruach throughout camp
- Facilitate (song/music) activities for different age groups and different sized audiences
- Integrate new and creative songs and ideas into existing camp traditions
- Coordinate daily all-camp song sessions, Shabbat song sessions, and assist with Shabbat services including weekly Havdalah ceremony
- Coordinate annual song festival
- Assist in all musical aspects of campfires, night time activities, performances, and other musical moments in camp
- As part of performing arts program, write music and songs with campers. Help craft original performance
- Lead music based elective programming
- Act as a resource and actively pursue opportunities to work with all camp staff as they work to integrate music into the overall camping experience

### Other Job Duties:

- Participate as a member of the camp staff team to deliver and supervise evening programs, special events, overnights, and other all-camp activities and camp functions.
- ◇ Contribute to verbal and written evaluations and communication as requested.
- ◇ Participate enthusiastically in all camp activities, planning, and leading those as assigned.
- *For further tasks and duties, please see accompanying list of general responsibilities of programmatic staff.*

### Equipment Used:

Musical Instruments, Microphones, Computer, Projector, Paper, Writing Implements,  
*Camp Staff may be asked to use fire protection equipment, washers and dryers, dishwashers, and specialty program equipment. Some may be asked to drive camp vehicle.*

Qualifications:

- Must be 18 years of age or high school graduate
- Must be able to obtain or become certified in First Aid/CPR
- Must submit health history record and examination form prior to first day of work
- Ability to interact with all age levels
- Must be able to pass a background check as required by the state of California

Knowledge Skills and Abilities

- Desire and ability to work with children
- Play a musical instrument or instruments
- Comfort with singing in Hebrew
- Passion for music within Prayer settings
- Experience with songwriting
- Ability to learn camp technology and amplification systems

Physical Aspects of the Position:

- Ability to work long hours, including standing and/or sitting
- Ability to work during non-traditional hours.
- Must live on site and will be housed in shared rooms with communal bathrooms.