



## Summer Lunch Camp 2024 Camp Counselor Paid Internship



*"I feel truly blessed to have worked at Festa this summer and I feel like it's really changed me as a person." – Former Summer Staff Member and OSU Education Student*

Get an idea of what a [day in the life at Festa Summer Lunch Camp](#) looks like!

**Join us in the fight against childhood hunger!**

Every summer, 21 million children receive free/reduced school lunches, but less than 4 million get them when schools close. Festa's pioneering Free Summer Lunch Camp addresses the nation's biggest food instability issue, providing nourishment for body, mind, and spirit over 8 weeks. This paid internship is an opportunity to make a lasting impact, ending childhood hunger for children in Central Ohio.

### **Festa: Building Relationships, Ending Poverty**

Festa connects neighbors to build relationships that end poverty—in this generation. We partner with children and families facing poverty – many are New Americans, and many reside in suburbs. The **Camp Counselor** is responsible for supporting the operation of our Summer Lunch Camp and will plan fun, prosocial activities and supervise and build relationships with the children we serve. Staff will welcome, train and support the volunteers as they discover and share their interests and talents with the children. This is a part-time, hourly position.

### **REQUIRED DATES/HOURS**

20-30 daytime hours weekly. Anticipated dates: June 3 -August 5, 2024. Commitment includes approximately 1-2 evenings over the course of the summer for special camp-related events.

## **COMPENSATION**

Range is \$13.00 - \$14.00 an hour based on experience and qualifications. Position does not qualify for health insurance, paid sick time, vacation time, or mileage reimbursement.

## **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Plan, implement and lead FUN daily programming (educational, recreational, arts/crafts etc.) appropriate for assigned age group
- Oversee and promote positive interactions onsite among children, staff, and volunteers; manage behavior issues and conflicts as they arise; meet the needs of individual children
- Enforce Summer Lunch Camp health & safety regulations at all times
- Welcome, train and help supervise Teen Interns and adult volunteers
- Assist with camp registration
- Understand and support Festa's mission and values in all aspects of the position
- Perform tasks as needed to support Festa's vision/mission as it relates to camp operations
- Practice responsible food safety by following health department guidelines consistently during daily meal distribution.
- Communicate promptly with supervisor regarding any issues, concerns, or questions at end of camp daily
- Provide own transportation between lunch sites if/when needed each day

## **QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Previous experience working with groups of children in any setting (camp, church, sports, job)
- Demonstrated ability to interact, build relationships, and provide guidance to children
- Knowledge of child development with ability to support the development of lesson plans and manage groups of children
- Ability to foster children's entrepreneurial spirit, guiding them to turn ideas into reality with flexibility, problem-solving, and attention to detail.
- Good communication and people skills with an ability to lead and delegate to adults and teens
- A heart to serve children and adults who are multi-cultural and socio-economically diverse
- Ability to stand, run and move with agility
  - Position ensures safety of children and will lead recreational games and move groups of children within the site (indoors and outside)
- Ability to lift 30 pounds
- First Aid/CPR certification a plus or willingness to attend such classes

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Please complete an application: <https://bit.ly/FestalsHiring>. There are **LIMITED** internships available, apply today!

**Position requires satisfactory completion of a background check. Festa is an equal opportunity employer.**