



Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium

Job Posting: Leadership Canoe Tripping Staff

A diagnosis of childhood cancer changes life in an instant. For affected children and families, it can suddenly feel like everything is about cancer.

Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium (merged in 2020) offers a different journey, where kids with cancer can just be kids, and families connect with a community of strength and support when they need it the most.

So much more than a summer camp—we offer the social cure for childhood cancer. Our camp-inspired programs deliver fun, friendship, and community to children and families at no cost to them year-round, all across Ontario.

Cancer changes a child's life. So does camp. And so can you. Learn more at <https://ooch.org>.

August & Fall 2021 – Leadership Canoe Tripping Staff

Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium is planning a return to in-person programs this August and throughout the fall. Would you like to be part of our amazing upcoming leadership programs? We are now accepting applications for Leadership Canoe Tripping Staff.

Reporting to the Director, Programs Ooch Muskoka, Leadership Canoe Tripping Staff will work with a co-tripper to provide our campers with a valuable backcountry canoe trip experience. The Canoe Tripper will be responsible for supporting the preparation and facilitation of 3 day, 2 night canoe trips for 16 to 18 year olds in Algonquin Park or Massasauga Provincial Park as well as a day of canoe trip preparation with campers at the Ooch Muskoka overnight site. The role also includes ensuring all COVID protocols and policies are followed and maintained throughout the duration of the trip.

The campers attending the trips have varied experiences with canoe trips (including those on their first trip), and have health conditions such as cancer and heart conditions. Two nurses will attend every canoe trip to support their needs.

Staff Launch/Trip Prep Site: Ooch Muskoka, 4256 ON-141, Rosseau, ON POC 1J0

Contract Dates (applicants can indicate interest any of the following):

- Contract Option 1 - 2 Canoe Trips

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- Virtual Family Information Night (date TBD)
- Onsite training - August 6-8
- August 20 - 27
 - Two trips and onsite prep days included in contract
- **Contract Option 2 - 2 Canoe Trips**
 - Virtual Family Information Night (date TBD)
 - Onsite training - August 6-8
 - August 27 - September 3
 - Two trips and onsite prep days included in contract
- **Contract Option 3 - 4 Canoe Trips**
 - Virtual Family Information Night (date TBD)
 - Onsite training - August 6-8
 - August 20 - September 3
 - Four trips and onsite prep days included in contracted.

Rate:

- \$600 per trip
- \$400 per training weekend.

Skills and Qualifications:

Our Leadership Canoe Tripping staff must have:

- a) Significant experience planning and leading backcountry canoe trips
- b) Experience as a staff or volunteer in a camp environment and/or working with children in a recreational setting.
- c) Experience working with children with special needs.
- d) Valid Bronze Cross or NL certification for the duration of the contract
- e) Valid First Aid Certification for the duration of the contract.
- a) A current G class driver's license, and eligible to be insured under Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium Insurance Policy.
- f) Current police reference check and vulnerable sector screening.

Beneficial Skills & Experience:

- b) Experience teaching canoeing skills
- c) Valid Wilderness First Aid certification
- d) Experience in outdoor education or adventure education.
- e) Experience facilitating adaptive programming.
- f) Overnight summer camp experience.
- g) Demonstrated ability to work with children with serious illnesses and an understanding of how illness impacts the entire family.
- h) Demonstrated commitment to volunteerism or volunteer sector.

This position requires staying 2 nights at Ooch Muskoka before trip to prepare supplies and food for trips as well as with campers for trip prep before departure. It also requires staying overnight at different campsites throughout the trip in a tent. Routine evenings and weekend commitments are required.

In consideration of the population Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium serve, the incumbent is a non-smoker.

Physical Requirements

The usual and customary methods of performing the job's functions and supporting camp life require the following physical demands: lifting, carrying, pushing, and/or pulling; stooping, kneeling, crouching, and/or crawling; and significant fine finger dexterity. **The job is largely performed in an outdoor environment.**

The minimum physical requirements for this position include:

- Able to carry a canoe with assistance or solo
- Able to paddle a canoe and camp outdoors for extended periods of time in varying weather conditions
- Able to co-lead overnight canoe trips and sleep in a tent
- Able to lift 20kg.

To Apply

Qualified applicants are encouraged to apply by email at careers@ooch.org. Please indicate in the subject line "**Leadership Canoe Tripping Staff**".

Equal Employment Opportunity

Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium invites applications from all qualified individuals. We are committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, visible minorities, indigenous people, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. In accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Accessibility

Upon request, Camp Ooch & Camp Trillium will provide to applicants with disabilities, accommodations that take into account the applicants' accessibility needs, in order to facilitate participation in the recruitment, assessment, selection and hiring stages.