YMCA Of Metropolitan Milwaukee



Volunteer Service Description

FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

POSITION: Team Coach **DEPARTMENT:** Miracle League

VOLUNTEER SPONSOR: James Lundstrom, Inclusive Recreation Manager

GENERAL FUNCTIONS:

Team Coach – help manage, coordinate, lead, and encourage selected team. Serving as a team coach is a 10-week commitment. If you are unable to be present, please notify the Program Manager ASAP.

ESSENTIAL DUITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Get introduced to the Inclusive Recreation Manager and arrive 30 minutes before the game. The Inclusive Rec. Manager will be there for the day and will help you get situated with your equipment.
- Write your line up on the whiteboard and the position of each player. Notify the announcer with lineup card.
- Meet and greet the buddies and instruct them what your expectations are. Also, help welcome the players.
- First initial game, pair buddies and players up with one another. They will be with each other for ten weeks. Also, help with distribution of uniforms and schedules.
- Instruct the buddies and players to warm up.
- Discuss with parents on helpful & special tips on how to interact with individual players.
- Instruct that all players need to be in the dugout for safety purposes. Buddies can be in there too, if there is room.
- Choose team captains for that week, which should be the first three batters. Emphasize and make a big deal on being team captains. Everyone will get to be the Team Captain.
- Make sure the batters are ready to go as per the lineup. When a player is up, make sure the buddy helps the player with putting on a helmet, and getting him/her a bat.
- When they hit the ball, encourage them to run to first base, there are no outs.
- When your team is out in the field determine whether you have a person that can pitch. After five tries, put the ball on the tee.
- Encourage and assist (make sure players are safe) your team. Don't be afraid to ask for help from parents.
- Responsible for other duties and projects as necessary to achieve goals and priorities of the YMCA and Miracle League.

EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE:

- Experience working in adaptive sports and/or familiarity with Miracle League is preferred
- Ability to coordinate and instruct a group is preferred
- Lives YMCA values
- Actively values diversity
- Engages community and others in the Y-mission and work
- Must be energetic, willing to make a difference
- Willing to encourage players and buddies