



Girls on the Run of Dane County

Head Coach Job Description

Coaching a Girls on the Run program is the most rewarding way to get involved with Girls on the Run. You will experience the program first hand, feel a sense of accomplishment that you have made a difference in the lives of the girls and have tons of fun with your team of coaches and incredible girls!

POSITION INFORMATION:

Job Summary/Responsibilities:

The Head Coach is a volunteer position that works with a team of coaches to facilitate the Girls on the Run curriculum to program participants. This position works closely with the Dane County Council Director and entails approximately 4 hours per week with additional time required on two to three weekend days for: a one day, four (4) hour training; a community race event; and for First Aid/CPR training, if necessary.

Major responsibilities include: preparing, organizing, and supervising the weekly lessons; leading the program participants through each lesson; serving as a role model and mentor; coaching program participants on proper stretching, running form, hydration and sports nutrition; attending a community running race with program participants and other volunteers; attending 2-3 coaches meetings with the Director during the season; interacting with parents of program participants; understanding and believing in the mission of the organization and acting as a spokesperson for the program.

This volunteer position may be used as a service learning project, internship, or other college credit project upon agreement of the college/university and the Dane County Council Director.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- A strong desire to work in the field of girl development
- Experience working with youth
- Excellent communication skills
- The ability to be flexible and to improvise when needed
- To inspire and motivate others to believe in the Girls on the Run mission
- High organizational skills
- The ability to recognize conflict and have the skills to help resolve it
- The capacity to work in a partnership with a co-coach and/or assistant coaches
- First Aid/CPR certification

EXPERIENCE:

The ideal candidate will have the following experiences:

- Has worked directly with girls grades 3-5 in a girl-positive environment
- Has experience as a runner/walker either recreationally or competitively
- Has volunteered in direct service organizations
- Has awareness of the common and different needs of girls



HOW TO APPLY:

Please mail, fax or email a completed application (found at www.girlsontherundaneco.org) and three references to:

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