

10 Reasons To Work At Griffith Park Boys Camp

1. **Not a job, a home**
 - a. People who "work" here are paid well (often netting more than working in the city and paying expenses), but it isn't about the money. It's about people - being with them as they play, laugh, learn, struggle, and grow. You'll live with your fellow staff, and you become part of The Griffith Park Boys Camp Team, your second family.
2. **Interested in your personal and professional growth**
 - a. Skill enhancement often reported: organization, motivating others, problem solving, leadership, emotional intelligence, prioritizing, decision making, risk management, working with groups, behavior management, project management, first aid, CPR, teambuilding, responsibility, self-confidence, child development, skill integration, and knowledge of more games and activities than you thought existed.
 - b. Self-definition / career selection: it is common for staff to say they've learned more about themselves in three months than in several years before being here. It is also common for people to change their major/life course after experiencing a summer working at Griffith Park Boys Camp. Will this job change your life? Probably. "I think my experience influenced me more than any other job I've ever had - had more of an impact than I think any job could have had."
 - c. Receive paid training, plus on-going training with supervisors who have the time and ability to help you develop the skills you need for your personal and professional development.
3. **Friends you'll keep for life**
 - a. Fast and deep friendships are made living and working with your teammates. People often keep in contact for years, and our alumni are a testament to friendships kept for decades.
4. **Connection with children**
 - a. Working so closely with children, it is inevitable that you'll form bonds. You'll also be instrumental in the development of children. Help foster self-confidence, independence, life-long recreational skills, safe risk taking, an appreciation for community, a healthy lifestyle, caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, environmental awareness, and fun!
5. **Memories**
 - a. Your photo album will be full of pictures that you will treasure for the rest of your life. You will also make memories for others. You will have the opportunity to make friends with people from other countries.
6. **Fun!**
 - a. The time of your life?
7. **Work and play in a real community**
 - a. Work with staff from around the city of Los Angeles, and children from all walks of life. You'll be with high-quality staff who survived a rigorous selection process and share the same values. Your suggestions are heard, discussed, and often used. Everyone evaluates each other - it isn't just from the top down. Be yourself and be accepted. People pitch in and share the load. People belong.
8. **Healthy living**
 - a. The days are quite long, the activities are often rigorous, and you'll sleep well, eat well, and get plenty of exercise!
9. **Beautiful**
 - a. Griffith Park Boys Camp sits on a stunning, pristine hillside. There are also miles of hiking trails, archery, a swimming pool, a climbing wall, high ropes course, nature that sometimes gets too close for comfort, and the smoke of campfires among acres of parkland in Griffith Park. On a clear night, our view of the heavens is simply breathtaking.
10. **Creativity**
 - a. You'll find that your work offers both an outlet and a challenge to your creativity. Seeing your fellow staff be crazy and innovative adds fuel to the creative fire that amazes us all every year!