

# Steps to Success Middle School Health & Wellness Summer Camp

Registration is now open for our Steps to Success Middle School Health & Wellness Summer Camp.

This new camp is free. Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group will be providing lunch, snacks, and educational and fun fieldtrips. There is a \$50 per child registration fee.

With a theme of health and wellness, the camp will run for eight weeks from June 11 to August 10.

Each child must attend all eight weeks. In addition, he or she must have completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and be going to middle school beginning in August until 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

To sign up, please print the registration form by [clicking here](#) and bring it to our office at 4730 Maine Street in Lake Worth.

## **The weekly themes are:**

Health Factors – June 11 – June 15

Mental and Emotional Health – June 18 – June 22

Healthy Eating Habits – June 25 – July 6

Nutrients Your Body Needs – July 9 – July 13

Managing Your Weight – July 16 – July 20

Body image & Eating Disorder – July 23 – July 27

Managing Stress – July 30 – August 3

# **“Book Walk” Encourages Students To Read and Attend School Regularly**

At our recent “Book Walk” event, our staff and volunteers got many students to read books and focus on their futures.

The Jan. 10th event was aimed at encouraging students from Palm Springs Elementary School to attend school regularly. The school, on Davis Road in Lake Worth, is where many of the young children in our community attend.

Our organizers distributed more than 30 free backpacks stuffed with books, snacks and other items to children in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and first grade. They also visited six homes and talked to parents to see how their children were doing in school. Volunteers also discussed the flu and other ailments with the parents and encouraged them to give their children flu shots and take other precautions to prevent them from getting sick.

“It’s vital that children attend school every day,” said Rhonda Rogers, executive director of Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group. “And so, we worked with our partners to establish the ‘Book Walk’ event so we could really educate our families about the importance of school attendance.”

The event was organized by Lake Worth West Resident Planning Group’s Early Childhood Leadership Collaborative which focuses on preparing students for kindergarten, getting them to attend

school regularly, and making sure they are safe. The “Book Walk” was made possible by the support of our funders, including Children’s Services Council of Palm Beach County and United Way of Palm Beach County.

“We had a lot of families interested in getting this backpack and talking to our staff and volunteers, so for us, this was a successful event that we hope to do next year and get even more families to participate,” Rogers said.

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## **Job Posting – Middle School Summer Camp Group Leader (Counselor) Position**

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### **Group Leader (Counselor) Position**

**Seasonal Position.** The daily functions of this position consist of but are not limited to engaging and educating middle school summer campers about various health & wellness topics with the use of demonstrations and hands-on activities in an informal setting. This position requires individuals who are comfortable communicating to middle school youth in grades 6 – 8 and delivering health and wellness curriculum in an informal setting.

Qualified applicants will demonstrate enthusiasm and a willingness to learn. The Group Leaders will be expected to follow the curriculum provided and demonstrate proficiency in communicating health & wellness concepts to young audiences.

Applicants should be good communicators, have the ability to complete tasks with minimal supervision, and demonstrate excellent customer service skills.

### **Essential Job Functions:**

- Responsible for delivering Health & Wellness Summer Camp curriculum and engaging the campers in hands-on activities and demonstrations.
- Responsible for supervising campers to and from daily activities, ensuring that all campers are accounted for at ALL times.
- Responsible for overseeing assigned counselors and volunteers each week.
- Responsible for implementing safety rules and compliance to the camp behavior policy.
- Able to apply appropriate policies/procedures, enforce safety regulations, and respond quickly to critical incidents and emergencies.
- Demonstrates commitment to Lake Worth West's vision, mission and values.
- Other duties as assigned.

### **Qualifications and Education Requirements:**

Candidates will have to pass a background check and be able to sign an Affidavit of Good Moral Character.

### **Preferred Skills:**

Must have experience working with children middle school. Experience in an informal or formal teaching environment is preferred. Candidate should accept, respect and be responsive to diversity. Applicants should demonstrate enthusiasm for working with children, and commit to Monday-Friday for the duration of the camp season (June 11, 2018 – August 10, 2018). First Aid certification is desirable.

### **PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Must be able to stand for extended periods. These positions require outdoor walking during the summer months, so employees will be exposed to the summer heat and humidity throughout the course of the day.

**Salary:**

\$15.00 per hour

**Please complete the application by clicking on the link below and send it to [rrogers@lakeworthwest.org](mailto:rrogers@lakeworthwest.org). No Phone Calls.**

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