



# Looking For a Summer Job?

## Come work for the Minnesota Farmers Union Camps!

If you love the outdoors and working with kids, Minnesota Farmers Union (MFU) Camps may be the perfect place for you! Working at a summer camp is hard work, but it's worth the effort. You'll gain unique skills, new friends, and a ton of great memories. Our campers and staff become a community, and we work hard to ensure that everyone has a fantastic summer camp experience. From leadership experience, team building exercises and more, our counselors gain important life skills from their first day of training to the last day of camp. Our counselors have FUN, but they also learn a lot about their skills and their passions. A summer at camp is truly an experience you'll never forget!

### About MFU Camps

MFU camps are affordable and open to everyone, regardless of their current or past farming background. It's all about helping young people become good citizens by planting the seeds of responsibility, leadership and cooperation in an environment where those qualities can grow and flourish. Campers have opportunities to develop these qualities through some of the simple, day-to-day tasks at camp. These simple activities provide a common foundation for all campers to share the responsibility of making camp a fun, safe place to be and are the foundation of developing cooperation skills that can last a lifetime.

MFU's day camp program is launching this year, and we are looking for a team of rock stars to form the foundation of this new era of day camps! The locations of the camps are still in the works, but they will be a mixture of member farms and state parks in every corner of Minnesota.

### Positions Available:

- Head Day Camp Counselor
- Day Camp Counselor
- Overnight Camp Coordinator
- Overnight Camp Co-Directors
- Overnight Camp Lead Counselors
- Overnight Camp Activities Counselors
- Overnight Camp Wellness Counselors

**Housing, Meals, and Travel will be provided and paid for by MFU for the duration of employment.**

MFU will conduct 4 weeks of 4-6 day overnight camps. As a counselor, this job would require you to arrive at camp on Sunday or Saturday afternoon and remain at camp through the following weeks for each of the four week-long camps.

MFU will conduct 5 weeks of day camps; with 3 weeks consisting of 3 days of single day camps, and 2 weeks of 3-day series day camps.

All travel to and from camps will be provided by MFU. Prior to the start of the camps, we will have two training periods. The first period of training will be all online, and the second will be in person at the office in Saint Paul. During this time, you will learn everything you need to know to become a successful camp counselor with MFU. Our camp is a coed camp and therefore we need both male and female counselors.

An MFU Camp Counselor is responsible for planning, leading, and implementing core and non-core programs and experiences for children in small and large group settings. They will also be responsible for the general safety and development, growth, and skill achievement of the participants in his/her group. The counselor will provide high quality outdoor educational and recreational experiences for participants that focus on the MFU core values of cooperation, leadership, respect and responsibility.

## **Essential Responsibilities**

- Organize and lead a variety of small and large group activities each session. Activities may include crafts, nature, songs, games, swimming, etc.
- Identify and respond to camper behavior issues.
- Ensure that each site is kept clean, organized, and free of litter.
- Communicate with parents about participant's experiences and report concerns to Camp Leadership.
- Assist in maintaining accurate program records including incident reports and daily attendance.
- Know and understand ALL emergency procedures associated with the camp program.
- Know, enforce, and follow all safety guidelines associated with the camp and all program areas. This includes but is not limited to being responsible for your campers' safety and their whereabouts at all times.

## **Qualifications - Required**

- Education classes or experience in camp, youth programs, recreation, working with children, or a related area.
- Upon hire, completion of MFU provided First Aid and CPR certification.
- Ability to lead, plan, organize, and implement program activities.

- Ability to work as a member of a team and the ability to accomplish tasks with little direct supervision.
- Strong organizational and communication skills.

### **Physical Demands - Required**

Must have the physical ability to lead and participate in camp activities which include, but are not limited to, hiking, canoeing, swimming, team building initiatives, building campfires, physical games, and activities.