



YMCA Camp Collins-International Initiative Call for Teen Volunteers

Each summer YMCA Camp Collins proudly partners with the Saitama YMCA in Japan to offer a dynamic, cultural opportunity for youth. In August, Japanese children ranging in ages from 8 to 13 journey across the Pacific to Oregon and participate in a week of resident camp at YMCA Camp Collins, just outside Gresham. During this week, campers are placed in cabins with American campers and enjoy traditional American camping activities like archery, arts and crafts, tubing, horseback riding, rock climbing and more.

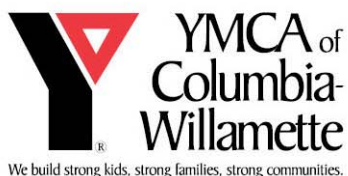
YMCA Camp Collins is in search of Teen Volunteers who speak Japanese and would be interested in assisting cabin counselors during the Japanese campers' week in resident camp. The primary responsibility of the Teen Volunteer is to enhance the camper's experience by facilitating effective communication between campers and staff. Teen Volunteers will spend the entire week at YMCA Camp Collins, sleep in a cabin with campers, participate alongside campers in traditional camp activities and assist their assigned cabin counselor during cabin times.

This year Japanese campers will be at YMCA Camp Collins August 2nd-8th, 2009.

Teen Volunteers must be at least 16 years of age. Interested teens must fill out a Volunteer Application and will be required to attend an orientation prior to their volunteer week at camp. Applications will be reviewed on a first come basis. Completed applications can be mailed to:

YMCA Camp Collins
Attn: Sarah LaPointe
3001 SE Oxbow Parkway
Gresham, OR 97080

For more information, feel free to contact Sarah LaPointe, YMCA Camp Collins Group Services Director, at slapointe@ymca-portland.org. We look forward to you joining us in this international initiative aimed at bringing the world closer together through the fun shared at camp.



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