

## **Media Capture Counselor at Overnight Outdoor Adventure and Mythology Summer Day Camp**

**Title:** Media Capture Counselor

**Employment Status:** Exempt/Seasonal

### **Company Summary:**

Plato Learning operates outdoor mythology-based camps for kids ages 7-15. They create a world where monsters, myth, and magic transport kids out of the mortal realm into one where they are empowered to develop new skills, take risks, solve problems, and ultimately become Heroes. With seventeen locations spanning from NYC to California, Plato Learning uses actors, live-action role-play, and physically and mentally engaging activities to bring myths to life.

Camp Mythik is Plato Learning's first overnight camp! Demigod Campers who are rising 5th-10th graders will enjoy a week of adventure, creation, and storytelling at our Cold Spring, NY site. We are looking for a Media Capture Counselor with compassion and understanding for the behavioral needs of middle schoolers—they are navigating and their relationship with the world, history, politics, gender, sexuality, and building their opinions and values.

Are you ready to join the team and accept our call to adventure?

### **Job Summary:**

We are hiring an energetic and creative leader to serve as our Media Capture Counselor at our **sleepaway camp** location. The Media Capture Counselor is responsible for assisting with a group of 10-15 year-old camper 'demigods' on their weekly camp journey through the world of mythology, and training them as heroes. Plato's immersive storytelling weaves a mythology-inspired adventure throughout the camp week, culminating in an action-packed "Quest". Our Media Capture Counselor uses a company-provided DSLR camera and laptop to document and upload images displaying camp's daily activities and camper/staff interactions to tell a story that shares the magic of camp with our parents.

### **Job Responsibilities**

#### ***Forge a Community of Heroes.***

- Work and live alongside a group of 10 campers within their groups and reside in a shared cabin with campers and staff
- Enthusiastically photo-document all activities, while maintaining awareness of camper behavior, group dynamics, and safety policies.
- Balance the fulfillment of cabin supervisory duties and media management with co-cabin staff.

#### ***Document the Magic***

- Throughout daily programming, document activities like Archery, Forge, Potions, Adventure Ropes, Boating, evening specialty activities and Combat-Training at scheduled stops throughout the day.
- Take an active role in sharing campers' successes and joy with parents and our community, through photos that express the magic of camp.

- Select, edit and upload appropriate photo and video media to the parent portal on a daily basis, that highlight each camper's experience that day.
- Ensure equipment is properly cared for, maintained, and address repairs with your supervisor when needed.
- When it is time to go on Quest, perform media capture duties with creative flair and attention to immersion that points towards engagement in the story.

### ***Build the World.***

- Embrace your demigod persona, to uphold the world of Camp Mythik and engage with campers around their excitement
- Read story briefs and prepare for each week's storyline, and enthusiastically commit to an active belief in its magic. Facilitate buy-in to the adventure—it is only as magical as you make it.

### ***Steel your Resolve.***

- We are looking for courageous individuals who can lean into the challenges presented by our energetic **mostly-outdoor** environment.
- Staff are the first people our Demigods look to in times of challenge and uncertainty, we are looking for courageous individuals excited by the discomfort in adventure, and who do not shy away from responsibility, in the rain or heat of summer.

### ***Rise to the Challenge.***

- Counselors prove their leadership through action and are prepared to handle challenging situations with kindness and readiness to help.
- Whether being patient with a homesick camper, or staying positive during challenging weather, we look to those who uplift.
- Camp Mythik staff will spend most of their day on their feet and our media capture staff will walk anywhere from 25,000-30,000 steps/day on the job, across varying terrain at the Taconic Outdoor Education Center.

### ***Grow as an Adventurer.***

- Work to grow as collaborative team-builders, effective communicators, adept problem-solvers, and agile creative-thinkers.
- Foster resilience and graciously handle the challenges and triumphs of overnight camp.

### ***Support Camp Operations.***

- Help maintain the operations of camp, whether it's helping with camp set-up/break-down, talking with parents during program drop off, pickup, and transportation, or maintaining safety procedures

### ***The Hours.***

- Approx 4-6 hours of self-paced Training
- Attend a 25 hour In-Person Training, the days before program start date

- 3 Weeks in-person at your camp location (our program runs on a 6 day on, 1 day off schedule with rotational nights off weekly).
- Camp Day Schedule: 7:30am-9:30pm; Monday-Saturday morning, which includes personal breaks
- Housing is provided for the entirety of the program, all meals are provided from Monday breakfast - Saturday breakfast.
- Camp operates three weeks from June 24th-July 13th

### What skills are we looking for?

- Overnight camp experience preferred but not required
- Experience working with groups of children in grades 5th-10th
- Enthusiasm for world-building with campers, staff, and performers
- Professional experience, coursework, or significantly committed hobbyist experience as a sports or portrait photographer.
- Excitement about working in an outdoor fast-paced environment in the summer
- Age 18 and above by the start of the summer camp season
- Full program availability June 17th-July 14th. Due to the nature of staffing sleepaway camp, we are unable to accommodate in-season conflicts.

*Plato Learning would like to put forth this statistic: While men apply to jobs when they meet an average of 60% of the requirements, women and other underrepresented people often only apply when they match all criteria. Even if you don't meet every checkbox in the job description, but you think you have what it takes, we encourage you to apply.*

### Benefits and Compensation:

- **Compensation.** \$600/week for the Camp program.
  - During Staff Training days: 20-25 hours for your program (at \$15/hr)
  - Referral Bonus: \$50 bonus for any referred applicants who are hired for a seasonal position, paid at the end of the season
- **Opportunity for Advancement.** As Plato Learning grows, we look first within our talented seasonal staff to fill full-time opportunities within the company when they arise.
- **Community.** Containing hundreds of creative-minded heroes, the Plato Learning network carries authors, podcasters, performers, dungeon masters, and many others ready to chat and create.

### Please keep in mind, our dates for the Camp Mythik season:

- Camp runs June 23rd-July 14th

### Ready to Send an Application via Iris Message?:

Please visit <https://www.mythikcamps.com/work-with-us/> to fill out an application. Only candidates selected for an interview will be notified of next steps.

### Hesitation of Hermes:

Questions before you apply? Email us at [hiring@plato-learning.com](mailto:hiring@plato-learning.com)

