



# SCHOONER

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### Schooner Summer Camp Operated by Gather New Haven

**Position Title:** Sailing Instructor

**Reports to:** Waterfront Director, Camp Director

**Minimum age:** 20

**Length of Employment and Scheduling Details:**

Seasonal, 40 hours per week from late June - mid-August. Staff must be available for ALL dates including week long pre camp staff training. Some pre and post camp work may be available.

**Position Purpose:** Camp offers land and sea based programs on New Haven's unique coastline, based out of the Sound School and the Long Wharf Nature Preserve. The goal is to provide a dynamic and fun educational experience for 80 children each week. Activities pique an interest in coastal ecosystems, marine biology, inspire children to be stewards of their environment, provide a fun and safe summer experience and offer sailing instruction for older campers. Camp operates from late June to mid-August, Monday-Friday. Staff ensure the safe operation, instruction, and communication of camp activities in accordance with the camp mission, policies and procedures.

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**Compensation:** \$15 to \$18 per hour, depending on experience.

Sailing Instructors work as a team under the supervision of the Waterfront Director and Camp Director to ensure the safe instruction of the sailing program. Instructors will be responsible for working with and instructing groups of campers ages 9-14 on basic boat safety, how to sail and skipper a small sailboat, detailed boat handling and maneuvers, tie knots, and adventure on the protected waters of the New Haven Harbor. Campers sail on Fun Boats, Picos, and 420's while Instructors follow and direct from motor boats. Instructors must feel confident directing and managing a group of sailors from a motor boat, towing sail boats in emergency situations, and be able to focus their attention on multiple sailors at once. Instructors will be responsible for following and enforcing all safety procedures on the waterfront and maintaining the fleet of boats. They will serve as an appropriate role model to all campers, staff, and others, promoting principles and practices of clean and effective communication, mutual support, cooperation, and fair-play.

**Essential Job Functions**

- Ensure campers are safe and well supervised while on the waterfront
- Oversee and instruct a group of 10-14 campers ages 9-14 years old in sailing
- Promote all safety and security procedures
- Maintenance and cleanliness of all sailing, waterfront equipment and areas
- Maintain safe boating program in adherence with standards set by the State of Connecticut and American Red Cross and United States Sailing Association
- Work as a team with Counselors and Directors to lead and ensure the effective execution of daily camp activities, free time, meals and other related activities
- Abide by and ensure others adhere to camp policies and procedures
- Serve as a positive role model
- Ensure a high level of standards in all activities, themes, and specialty programs
- Provide one-on-one behavioral guidance to campers, within sight of others
- Motivate campers and ensure mutual support and group-building throughout camp
- Promote character development through the camp program
- Assist with check-in and check-out to help campers transition to and from camp
- Participate in pre-and post-camp interactions and communication with parents and campers
- Communicate regularly with Waterfront and Camp Directors on all relevant camp matters
- Participate in pre-camp training and pre-camp waterfront set up

**Position Qualifications:**

\*Must have certification by June 20, 2023

- Previous experience in sailing instruction
- Must have completed US Sailing Level 1 Instructor Certification\*
- Current certification in First Aid and CPR\*
- State of CT Medication certification\*
- State of CT PWC boating license\*
- Feel confident directing and managing a group of sailors from a motor boat, towing sail boats in emergency situations, and be able to focus attention on multiple sailors at once.
- Demonstrated level of maturity and ability to handle all aspects of job description and potential issues associated with the summer camp.
- Demonstrated ability or strong interest in leading and motivating young people.
- Excellent interpersonal skills in working with youth and people of all ages.
- Ability to interact with adults in a positive and professional manner.
- Ability to be creative and flexible.
- Successful completion of required background checks and training required by camp.
- Get dirty, be outside and have fun with campers all summer!



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Candidate is expected to support and promote the organization's position on racial equity, environmental justice, and food justice issues which can include messaging and actions that are in opposition to discriminatory practices that produce inequities associated with the organization's mission.

This job description in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee(s) incumbent in this position. Employees will be required to follow any other job-related instructions and to perform any other job-related duties requested by any person authorized to give instructions or assignments. All duties and responsibilities are essential functions and requirements and are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities. To perform this job successfully, the incumbents will possess the skills, aptitudes, and abilities to perform each duty proficiently. Some requirements may exclude individuals who pose a direct threat or significant risk to the health or safety of themselves or others. The requirements listed in this document are the minimum levels of knowledge, skills, or abilities. This document does not create an employment contract, implied or otherwise, other than an "at will" relationship. Gather New Haven strictly maintains a drug free workplace, and complies with ADA regulations as applicable.