

SANCA is Hiring!

Position: Social Circus Coach

Anticipated start date: Winter 2019



Description:

Come join SANCA's dynamic Social Circus team and work with us to provide fun, engaging, and safe experiences for individuals between ages 5-75. Using circus arts for social change and personal transformation, coaches will instruct students in trampoline, tumbling, aerial rope, aerial silks, static trapeze, partner acro, juggling, and other circus skills, all while working to improve the mental, emotional, and physical health of all students. While circus is the medium, socio-emotional learning, inclusion, and community-building are the true heart of this work. Our group outreach classes go out into South Seattle to partner with local schools, community centers, and non-profit organizations that promote access to services for underserved communities. Our therapeutic circus arts program works with youth with socio-emotional, developmental and physical disabilities by offering individual and group lessons, aides in group classes, field trips and camps to use circus arts as a means of a range of therapeutic healing.

This coaching position is part-time, with hours ranging from 10 to 20 hours of coaching, and up to 5 hours of administrative and meeting time per week. New hires will be trained to coach to SANCA's standards of safety and skill progressions, and will receive various trainings related to social circus, mental health, cultural humility, youth development, adaptive circus, and trauma-informed practices.

Job Duties and Responsibilities:

- Maintain a safe environment for the student, physically, socially, and emotionally.
- Supervise and instruct students in a variety of circus skills, using circus skills to develop life skills.
- Work cooperatively and collaboratively with the social circus team of coaches and managers.
- Attend bi-weekly group supervision to receive ongoing support and guidance in doing this work.
- Provide motivational support, guidance, goal-setting to students while building relationships
- Facilitate communication between site coordinators and Outreach Manager when necessary.
- For all ongoing group classes, develop and facilitate a 'last class sharing'.
- Uphold SANCA's mission: *SANCA is dedicated to improving the mental, emotional, and physical health of children of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities by engaging them in the joyous creativity of acrobatics and circus arts.*
- Assist in case-management of one-on-one therapeutic students.

Qualifications:

- Working knowledge in movement-based activities, especially circus or gymnastics, and willingness to learn additional movements and skills required
- Previous experience and formal training or education in at least one of the following domains:
 - Mental health
 - Occupational therapy
 - Youth development
- Experience working with children with various diagnoses and in intercultural environments
- Ability to lift equipment and to spot students where appropriate
- Ability to motivate and effectively communicate with co-workers, parents, and students
- Exercises mature judgment and sound decision-making
- Demonstrates enthusiastic attitude and positive demeanor

Compensation:

Depending on the applicant's experience and expertise, pay generally ranges from \$16.00-\$20.00 per hour.

Email resume and cover letter to: recruiter@sancaseattle.org

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