



Family Group Leader

Summer 2026 Temporary, Paid Position

Location: Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH

Department: OWL Program

OWL Camp is a transformative summer experience for gifted and talented middle school students, offering academic enrichment, creative exploration, and leadership development. Family Group Leaders (formerly Camp Counselors) are the heart of the camper experience—serving as mentors, guides, and role models who foster a safe, inclusive, and joyful environment.

What You'll Do:

As a Family Group Leader, you'll guide a small group of 10–12 campers through daily routines, transitions, and activities. You'll foster connection, build confidence, and spark curiosity—while collaborating with fellow staff to create a welcoming, high-energy camp environment.

Key Responsibilities:

- Lead and supervise your camper group throughout the day and night
- Plan and lead engaging recreational and transition-time activities
- Promote camper independence, self-esteem, and peer relationships
- Escort campers to meals, classes, and events across campus
- Communicate camper needs to Camp Managers and Directors
- Maintain incident records in collaboration with the camp nurse and leadership
- Attend orientation and daily staff meetings
- Support evening programs, dorm logistics, and special events
- Model OWL Camp's Core 4 values: Respect, Responsibility, Empathy, and Curiosity

Camp Position Information:

Overnight Camp

Dates	June 4–25, 2026 (Sunday 1pm–Thursday 7pm)
Commitment	Must be available for the full duration of overnight camp
Job Type	Temporary, Salaried, Seasonal Position
Room/Board	Room and board provided at no cost
Compensation	\$2,175 total earnings - this is before taxes are taken out
Training	Approximately 25 hours
Time Off	*Between sessions: Thursdays after campers depart to Sundays at 1pm *1 class period (1.5 hours) off per day
Benefits	No additional benefits are included.
Age Requirement	Must be at least 18 years old by June 2026
Education Requirement	Must have completed at least one year of college by June 2026
Employment Requirements	*Must pass a background check (processed by OWU) *Must complete Title IX and "Working with Minors" during training

Day Camp

Dates	June 29–July 2 and July 6–9, 2026 (Monday–Thursday, 8am–5:30pm)
Commitment	Must be available for the full duration of day camp
Job Type	Temporary, Salaried, Seasonal Position
Room/Board	Optional housing provided; board/meals not included
Compensation	\$820 total earnings - this is before taxes are taken out
Training	Approximately 5 hours (dates to be announced)
Time Off	*Daily schedule: 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM *Time off: After campers depart daily until the following morning
Benefits	No additional benefits are included.
Age Requirement	Must be at least 16 years old by June 2026
Education Requirement	Must have completed 11th grade by June 2026
Employment Requirements	*Must pass a background check (processed by OWU) *Must complete Title IX and "Working with Minors" during training

We Welcome Applicants Who:

- May have experience working with youth or in educational/camp settings
- Demonstrate strong leadership, communication, and conflict resolution skills
- Are excited to collaborate, adapt, and grow in a fast-paced environment
- Have prior OWL Camp experience (as a camper or counselor)—a definite plus!

How to Apply

- Applicants may select to be considered for both camps, Overnight Camp only, or Day Camp only.
- Go to owu.edu/owl
- Click “Apply to Be a Family Group Leader (Counselor)”
- Submit your online application beginning November 1st, 2025.
- Interviews will be held on a rolling basis, with final decisions by April 1st, 2026.

Have questions? Don’t hesitate to contact us at OWL@owu.edu.