

Mayor's Summer Youth Employment (MSYEP) Program

Types of MSYEP Work Experiences

Work with Older Adults:

There are a very limited number of positions working with older adults (ages 60+).

Responsibilities might include:

- leading or participating in games
- physical fitness activities with older adults
- serving snacks or meals
- providing basic help to seniors in a supported setting

Peer Leadership and Support:

You will work with a group of other teens (and a supportive adult) on a project or projects, usually with a theme.

Arts/Theater/Music:

You might be creating art, theater or dance, taking part in a performance, or teaching others. Both visual and performing arts programs are available, including:

- photography
- dance
- acting
- theater technical support
- set design
- lyric writing
- musical performance
- music production

Office/Library Work:

Library work is primarily shelving books. Responsibilities can include:

- filing
- shredding
- photocopying and scanning
- organizing
- cleaning
- running errands
- making or answering phone calls
- interacting with clients

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM):

Responsibilities might include

- learning and using new computer skills (like coding)
- doing office work
- group projects in a scientific or technical setting
- learning scientific concepts and then teaching them to others
- applying scientific or mathematical theories to solve problems
- environmental projects
- doing scientific study outdoors and in nature

Media/Web Production:

Responsibilities might include

- writing
- storytelling
- filming and editing
- acting
- graphic design
- photography
- basic web design
- work-related social networking

Working with Children in Daycare or Preschool Programs:

All work is with children under age 5.

Responsibilities might include

- leading games or activities with children
- modeling positive behaviors for children
- serving snacks or meals
- cleaning and organizing
- interacting with parents and teachers
- going on short field trips to local parks
- going in sprinklers or wading pools

Working with Children in Summer Camps:

All work is with children ages 4-13.*

Responsibilities might include:

- leading games or activities with children
- modeling positive behaviors for children
- serving snacks or meals
- cleaning and organizing
- interacting with parents and teachers
- going on trips which may require going in the water at beaches or pools
- participating in sports and physical activities

**Due to state regulations, 14-year-olds cannot work in licensed childcare programs. Youth assigned to childcare programs may need an additional background check Responsibilities might include*

Landscaping/Maintenance:

Work is often outdoors. Responsibilities might include:

- cleaning
- organizing
- lifting and moving furniture
- using light tools
- painting
- raking
- sweeping
- mopping

Physical Fitness

Learning concepts related to health and wellness, and the skills to share them with others. This might include:

- physical activities
- coaching

Academic Enrichment

Enhancing academic learning outside of a traditional school schedule and setting, with an additional focus on useful workplace skills like time management, teamwork, and goal setting.