Esports/Unified Champion Schools Intern

Job Title: Esports/Unified Champion Schools Intern

Reports to: Katie DeVenuto

Job Type: Paid- $12/hour

Location: Currently Remote. Once Quarantine is lifted, SOAZ State Office- Goodyear, AZ 2455 N. Citrus Rd. Bldg. 64, Goodyear, AZ 85395

Duration: 14 Weeks

Job Description

This is an intern position with flexible hours (working up to 20 hours a week) reporting to the AIA Unified Sports Coordinator. This position will require a broad understanding of various modern gaming systems (Playstation 4, Nintendo Switch, Xbox One, PC) and popular games (Fortnite, Rocketleague, NBA2K, Madden, FIFA, NHL, etc). This position will have the responsibility of assisting with exploratory and beta testing process with a focus on high schools. This role will primarily support Special Olympics staff and school staff with project management, implementation, and evaluation.

Job Roles:

- Develop surveys to be used for evaluating the esports & gaming programs, as well as Unified sports seasons
- Communicate regularly with participants, teachers, and coaches
- Ability to play games with athletes and participants
- Weekly meetings with supervisor
- Create graphics for social media
- Create highlight reels from events
- Engage with athletes/participants through social media (Facebook, Instagram, Discord)
- Assist supervisor in leading bi-weekly Youth Activation Committee meetings
- Assist with creation of UCS resources for teachers

Learning Objectives:

- Work efficiently within a fast-paced professional environment
- Confidently organize and execute virtual events, namely Esports competitions
- Create toolkit of materials for implementation of Unified esports including such things as: getting started checklists, tip sheets, accessibility strategies, fitness/wellness integration, code of conduct, sample budgets
- Development of webinar or online training introducing esports to Special Olympics staff, youth leaders and educators
- Summary report on esports beta test & recommendations for the future- including these topic areas: games, platforms, equipment, formats and rules to create an optimal Unified esports experience
• Come away with exceptional interpersonal communication and organizational skills
• Come away with a broader understanding of inclusion, as well as the community of athletes and individuals SOAZ serves

**How Many Students Do You Expect to Hire for this Position:**

1

**Approximate Salary:**

$12.00/hour

**Required Documents:**

Please email Cover Letter, Resume, gamer tag for appropriate devices to Meghan Mullin

meghan@specialolympicsarizona.org

**Specific Job Duties:**

- Create registrations for tournaments
- Communicate with participants
- Ability to play games with athletes and participants
- Monitor Discord App
- Weekly meetings with supervisor
- Create graphics for social media
- Create highlight reels from events
- Engage with athletes/participants through social media
- Create and monitor event registrations
- Familiar with MS Office
- Assist with creating positive sportsmanship during competitions
- Athlete focused
- Assist with creation of virtual UCS resources
- Creating coach’s webinar materials and resources for Unified sports

**Minimum Qualifications/Skills**

- Familiar with how to play Rocket League, Fortnite, Madden (sports games)
- Familiar with cross play games
- Own one gaming system (PS4, Xbox One, Nintendo Switch, PC)
- MS Office
- Strong communication and interpersonal skill
- Familiar with Twitch and other streaming platforms
- Able to work efficiently on time bound projects
- Ability to work closely with athlete intern

- Previous experience competing in esports (amateur or professional)
Desired Qualification/Skills:
• Ability to innovate and suggest new games that are appropriate for SOAZ esports competitions
• Access to multiple gaming systems and games
• Experience managing esports tournaments or events

Training the Intern will receive:
During the onboarding process, the intern will receive SOAZ Volunteer Class A certification, training in Cervis

Screening:
Must pass Criminal and National Sex Offender Registry background screening, *(Required for all staff)*

Physical Demands Include:
Standing, walking, climbing ladders, squatting, lifting through full range (must be able to lift a min of 25lbs), working in confined spaces, working in extremes of heat, cold and inclement weather as well as working at heights above 6’. Moderate to heavy physical demands, will be required to load and unload trucks, and to lift equipment and other merchandise.

Transportation:
Must have own reliable transportation, a valid AZ driver’s license, a good driving history, and fulfill assignments with reliability and punctuality.

Work Schedule:
This position’s work schedule will be determined by the demands of the demands of the position, but will be limited to a 40 hour work week including evenings, weekends, and some in-state travel.

**NOTE:** The following examples are intended only as illustrations of the duties of this position. The absence of specific statements of duties does not exclude these tasks from the position if the work is similar, related to or logical assignments of the position.

**MISSION**

*The mission of Special Olympics Arizona is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with cognitive disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.*

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