

Kayla Brennan

Camp Counselor

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SUMMARY

Camp counselor with 2 summers at an overnight camp for 150 campers, now leading cabin groups and fall outdoor education programs. Comfortable working with children ages 7-14, relies on teamwork with co-counselors, keeps parent communication clear and holds lifeguard and wilderness first aid certifications.

EXPERIENCE

Camp Counselor

05/2025 - Present

Blue Ridge Pines Camp

Brevard, NC

Overnight summer camp and fall outdoor school program for 150 campers.

- Lead a cabin of **10** campers aged 8-12 through daily routines, rest hour and evening programs.
- Teach archery and nature hikes to 60 campers a week using the camp's safety checklist.
- Write weekly parent communication notes for each camper and flag homesickness to the unit director.
- Plan 2 all-camp evening events each session with 6 counselors, from capture-the-flag to talent shows.

Lifeguard and Swim Instructor

06/2023 - 08/2024

Weaverville Community Pool

Weaverville, NC

Seasonal role at a 25-meter outdoor public pool.

- Guarded a pool with **200** daily swimmers and completed 3 rescues without injury.
- Taught beginner swim lessons to 40 children a summer, moving 75% up at least one level.
- Enforced pool rules and settled disputes between young swimmers with patience and a steady voice.
- Logged water chemistry checks every 2 hours, keeping the pool open through 2 county inspections.

SKILLS

- Working with Children
- Youth Supervision
- Archery Instruction
- Outdoor Education
- Lifeguarding
- Swim Instruction
- Activity Planning
- Parent Communication
- Teamwork
- Patience

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science

Western Carolina University

Elementary Education

Cullowhee, NC

05/2027

CERTIFICATES

Lifeguarding with CPR/AED and First Aid

American Red Cross

05/2025

Wilderness First Aid

NOLS Wilderness Medicine

04/2025