bgc Hamilton-Halton

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Youth Recreational and Educational Support Volunteer

At BGC Hamilton Halton, we provide variety of programs after school to engage, encourage, -and support youth from grade 9 to age 24. Our programs run Monday through Friday from 4:00-10:00pm and on Saturday from 1:00-4:00pm. This opportunity is ideal for university students looking to enter into a career field engaging to with high school-aged or older youth.

Youth programs include:

- Drop-In:
  - Monday through Friday from 4:00-6:00pm at the Youth Centre
  - Youth are able to engage in planned unstructured activities and games to help build positive peer relationship, bounce back after a day at school, and have fun
- Learn On:
  - An academic support program for youth with a primary goal of addressing educational disparities, improving academic opportunities, and facilitating a successful transition to adulthood through various club-based activities
- GirlsZone:
  - Provides fun, inclusive, safe space for girls in the community
  - Offers a wide variety of activities that facilitate conversations around gender-centered issues and provide opportunities to build confidence, self-esteem, and self-advocacy within the participants
  - Programming includes creative, physical, and wellness based activities
- Coaching Boys to Men:
  - Teaches male identified youth about healthy relationships skills and mental health practices
  - Youth participate in session address topics that include consent, what unhealthy and healthy relationship looks like, and conflict resolutions skills
  - Involves various activities and discussions amongst peers in a safe and positive environment
- Positive Space:
  - A youth-led initiative whose purpose is to support 2SLGBTQIA+ youth
  - Youth will have access to a safe space where they can share their struggles and joys around their sexual orientation and gender identities
  - Youth set out the agenda and how the program will run with staff supporting program planning and cover topics such as relationships, safety, and outreach
- D&D Program (new):
  - Invites youth to learn about the role-playing game, flex their creativity, positive relationships with peers, and explore interactive storytelling over a session

Volunteers Tasks and Responsibilities:

- Engage with members, set up/assist with activities, clean/sanitize spaces
- Support the implementation of programming objectives and activities
- Direct youth to staff and resources based on need
- Form positive and healthy relationships with youth members

For more information or to become a youth program volunteer, please contact:

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Please note that you will be required to:

- Be at least 21 years of age
- Provide a clear Vulnerable Sector Check for volunteers 18+ years old through your municipality (Hamilton/Halton), and
- Consent to abide by BGC Hamilton-Halton's volunteer policies and procedures.