



## **Dear Potential SPARK Counselor,**

We are pleased to know you are interested in serving as a SPARK Summer Dance Intensive counselor this year! We hope you will prove to be a qualified applicant thus enabling yourself to enjoy the rewards of being a part of our top notch SPARK staff!

Being a counselor involves many responsibilities outlined in the following application. We take these responsibilities very seriously as we value the safety and well-being of all dancers who attend SPARK. If you are chosen as a counselor you will receive a \$175.00 deduction from the \$510.00 regular price of SPARK. This is a fabulous opportunity to receive high-level of training and enjoy the great activities while serving in a valuable leadership role.

Please submit your application as soon as possible as positions will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Once you have submitted your application you will receive notification within 2 weeks. All applications must be sent to [dancefestproductions@gmail.com](mailto:dancefestproductions@gmail.com) by May 15.

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. We hope you'll be a part of SPARK and help us send the SPARK!

## **LET'S GET SPARKED!**

**Allison Gupton, Jamie McCord, and the SPARK Summer Dance Intensive Faculty & Staff**

## **CONTACT US**

**By Mail:** SPARK Summer Dance Intensive, 313 Mirramont Court | Woodstock, GA | 30189

**By Phone:** (404) 290-4733

**By e-mail:** [dancefestproductions@gmail.com](mailto:dancefestproductions@gmail.com)

**Online at:** [www.SPARKsummerdance.com](http://www.SPARKsummerdance.com)



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age as of July 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Female Male

Name of Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents' Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What leadership roles have you held in your community, church or school?

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2. What experience with children have you had that would enable you to be a good counselor?

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3. Why do you want to be a counselor?

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4. What do you feel parents expect of you in caring for their children?

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Please obtain 2 recommendations. One should be from your dance teacher. The other can be from a school teacher, clergy member, coach or employer. Please have them answer the questions below.

**DANCE TEACHER RECOMMENDATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

1. How long have you known this applicant \_\_\_\_\_

2. What experience with children has he/she had that would enable him/her to be a good counselor?

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3. How has he/she shown the maturity necessary to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of a counselor?

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4. Is there anything else that would be helpful for us to know regarding this applicant?

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**SECOND RECOMMENDATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

1. How long have you known this applicant and in what capacity?

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2. What experience with children has he/she had that would enable him/her to be a good counselor?

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3. How has he/she shown the maturity necessary to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of a counselor?

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4. Is there anything else that would be helpful for us to know regarding this applicant?

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## COUNSELOR EXPECTATIONS

Counselors are expected to do the following:

1. Supervise your dancers at all times other than when they are in class. You room in with your dancers and provide supervision at meal times, before and after class, during the activity night, SPARK show and cast party. Counselor orientation takes place shortly before registration begins on the first day of the intensive.
2. Attend all classes, meals and functions.
3. Act and dress appropriately in and out of class including no sloppy clothing in class, modestly cut dancewear and a well-groomed appearance at all times.
4. Submit a regular intensive application and notarized EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION FORM.



## CODE OF CONDUCT

Counselors are required to conduct themselves according to the Code of Conduct. The code operates in conjunction with the Counselor Expectations and the rules and regulations of the Hilton.

The following are not permitted at SPARK Summer Dance Intensive:

- Possession, consumption or distribution of alcohol.
- Possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs.
- Possession or use of all tobacco products.
- Sexual activity.
- Boys in girls' rooms and girls in boys' rooms or lodging areas.
- Theft, destruction, or abuse of property.
- Violation of an established curfew.
- Unauthorized absence from intensive.
- Physical, verbal, emotional, or mental abuse of another person.
- Possession or use of a weapon.
- Possession or use of a harmful object with the intent to hurt or intimidate others.

If accepted as a SPARK counselor, I agree to abide by the rules established for SPARK Summer Dance Intensive. My parent/guardian and I have read and discussed the SPARK Summer Dance Intensive COUNSELOR EXPECTATIONS and CODE OF CONDUCT. I am aware that my actions and decisions affect me and others and may result in the loss of privileges during this and future intensives. We agree that I will conduct myself in accordance with the intent of the Counselor Expectations and the Code. I will accept the appropriate and logical consequences of my actions if I fail to do so.

Furthermore, if it is determined by the adults in charge that my behavior violated the Code, I agree to call my parent/guardian. If further action requires me to return home, my parent/guardian and I will arrange for prompt transportation at my expense and I will forfeit the \$175.00 counselor scholarship and be required to pay for the intensive in full. I agree to return this form no later than May 15 for consideration.

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Your signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

**DANCERS WISHING TO FLY TO SPARK MUST ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:**

Please mail or e-mail flight info to us prior to June 15. We will send a confirmation of our receipt of your info. Please contact us promptly if you do not receive our confirmation. Send name of airline, flight number and departure and arrival info.

If your dancer is under 18 years of age, please check with your particular airline regarding their policy authorizing your child's release to us. The airlines typically require some type of written permission signed by a parent/legal guardian allowing SPARK personnel to pick up your dancer. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT & DIFFERS WITH EACH AIRLINE! Confirm requirements with your airline!

**SPARK KOREO ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE DATES & TIMES:** Please plan your arrival into the Atlanta, GA Hartsfield-Jackson Airport (ATL) on Saturday, July 1 between 6:00am and 10:00am and depart on Wednesday, July 20 between 2:00 and 4:00pm.

**INTENSIVE ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE DATES & TIMES:** Please plan your arrival into the Atlanta, GA Hartsfield-Jackson Airport (ATL) on Sunday, July 17 between 6:00am and 10:00am and depart on Wednesday, July 20 between 2:00 and 4:00pm.

Please contact us before making reservations if you cannot schedule flights during the time frames listed above. Round trip shuttle service to and from the Hilton will be available for \$65.00 per person. Fee can be paid upon registration or at check-in.