



## **ONÁ:KE PADDLING CLUB – CANOE KIDS ANIMATOR - 2026**

The Canoe Kids Animator will be responsible to share ‘canoe teachings’ and activities at the Oná:ke Paddling Club. This role introduces children and youth to canoeing and other paddle sports, with a strong emphasis on safety, teamwork, and positive participation. Animators work collaboratively with staff to provide a supportive camp environment that fosters skill development and lifelong interest in paddling and outdoor activity. The Canoe Kids Animator provides a fun camp environment for children and youth to learn fundamental canoe and kayak skills and to encourage a lifelong interest in paddling and outdoor activities.

### **Duties will also include:**

- to ensure proper supervision and safety on and off the water, for all who participate.
- together with the rest of the Onake staff, introduce youth to the basics of canoeing, land activities and water sports.
- ensure staff and youth follow safety protocols by reinforcing rules, adhering to daily procedures, and understanding all guidelines.
- work collaboratively with the team to ensure all ‘canoe kids’ activities are followed in a positive and respectful manner.
- supervise participants in all aspects of ‘canoe kids camp’ both on and off the water.
- may possibly be asked to work shifts, which may include occasional weekends.
- teach and apply basic water safety techniques during all camp activities.
- will be encouraged to use Kanien’keha to the participants and Community.

The primary objective for the Canoe Kids Animator will be to safely offer canoeing activities to the Youth, Adults and Families of Kahnawà:ke. All Onake staff will be encouraged and expected to initiate activities regarding Canoeing and Fitness. The use of Kanien’keha at the Oná:ke Paddling Club is highly encouraged for all staff.

**Education Required:** Minimum of 1 year ‘coaching/ animating’ experience is an asset, Bronze Medallion Water Safety, CPR, First Aid and Motorboat Safety, Kanien’keha is an asset.

## Onake Workplan for KSSEP staff 2026

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| <b>June 22nd</b><br><i>(Week 1)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Orientation to the Paddling Club with Kanien'keha lessons and Intro to Staff procedures.</li> <li>➤ Intro to Motorboat Safety Course.</li> <li>➤ Inventory of equipment is logged and is to be tracked throughout summer.</li> <li>➤ Canoe Kids Skill Development plan is discussed.</li> <li>➤ Clean entire club, wash boats, repair equipment as needed.</li> <li>➤ Preparations for upcoming Canoe Kids Day Camp and Racing Camps.</li> <li>➤ Students will learn and assist in planning, organizing, coordinating a mini regatta.</li> <li>➤ Physically prepare club, clean club, wash boats, repairs and equipment</li> <li>➤ CPR and First Aid training</li> </ul> |
| <b>June 29th</b><br><i>(Week 2)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ CANOE KIDS Session1</li> <li>➤ Canoe Coaches will take part in the planning and development of Canoe Kids Program. Work on daily lesson plans with introduction of staff, club and equipment, on water paddling, land games, one BBQ at the end of the week with one special event at the end of each week (trip, relay, miniq-regatta)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>July 6th</b><br><i>(Week 3)</i>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ CANOE KIDS Session 2</li> <li>➤ Students will learn as a team to evaluate the program and its participants using the program paddling information and evaluation form.</li> <li>➤ Learn to pre-plan a special event for the end of Kahnekanó:ron <i>Canoe Kids Program</i> under the supervision of the Program Manager. Continuation of the Canoe Kids Skill Development Program</li> <li>➤ Load trailer for Otterburn Regatta</li> </ul>   |
| <b>July 13th</b><br><i>(Week 4)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ CANOE KIDS SESSION 3</li> <li>➤ Physically prepare club and equipment</li> <li>➤ Clean entire club, wash boats, repair equipment as needed</li> <li>➤ Family Night begins.</li> <li>➤ Load trailer for competition to Lachine Regatta</li> </ul>   |
| <b>July 20th</b><br><i>(Week 5)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Prepare to offer Invitational Regatta with Lachine / Pointe Claire</li> <li>➤ Clean entire club, wash boats, repair equipment as needed.</li> <li>➤ 1 full day of competition for the TEEN athletes.</li> <li>➤ Racing Camp continues.</li> <li>➤ Family Night Wednesdays</li> </ul>   |
| <b>July 27th</b><br><i>(Week 6)</i>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ CANOE KIDS SESSION 4</li> <li>➤ Cleaning of club and equipment</li> <li>➤ Equipment preparation for upcoming Canoe Journeys.</li> <li>➤ Continue to physically prepare for Canoe Journeys.</li> <li>➤ Family Night Wednesdays.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>August 3rd</b><br><i>(Week 7)</i>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Preparation for Provincial Championships</li> <li>➤ Surveys are given to the following: Summer Students, Teen athletes, parents</li> <li>➤ Paddle sessions take place at the Olympic Basin.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>August 10th</b><br><i>(Week 8)</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Return from Canoe Journeys</li> <li>➤ Participate in evaluation with participants.</li> <li>➤ Final reports are to be submitted.</li> </ul>  |



# ONAKE SUMMER STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

# 2026

**Position: 'CANOE' KIDS ANIMATOR**

- 4 X High School Student - 8 weeks @ 30hrs/ week
- Salary based on KSSEP wages

**Requirements:**

- Must be willing and able to initiate 'canoeing and fitness' activities.
- Certification in Coaching, First Aid/CPR, or Bronze Medallion is an asset. Training will also be provided.
- Experience in 'sports and recreation' activities is an asset.
- Must be able to assist in planning, coordinating and organizing activities.
- Must be willing to work flexible hours, days and possible weekends.
- Must be presently in school and returning to school in the fall.
- Will be encouraged to use and share Kanien'keha amongst all participants.
- Cleaning and maintenance duties will be required of staff.

**Start / End Date of Employment:** Monday, June 22, 2026 to August 14, 2026.

**Deadline to Apply:**

Resumes must be received no later than Friday, May 15th to: [onake72@hotmail.com](mailto:onake72@hotmail.com) to the attention of Sharon Rice.

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