

## **Professional and Certified Staff**

The Summer Camp Program takes pride in providing quality training for each staff member. Be assured that if an emergency occurs, staff members have been trained and equipped to handle the incident with well established safety and security procedures in place. Each staff member undergoes around (20) hours of intensive training prior to camp. This includes CPR and First Aid certification. Gaining this level of professional knowledge is encouraged and supported among all staff members.

To further the experience, the Director and Camp Administration conducts weekly staff meetings in reviewing progress, objectives and goals. Areas of improvement are discussed and changes made in better serving your child's summer camp experience to the best of our ability. Each staff member has cleared a background / reference check, including a child abuse and prevention clearance approval. Please note that staff are not permitted to baby-sit or transport any camp-child participant while employed.

## **About The Summer Camp Director**

Ryan Jones has developed and directed many multi-level School Age Child Care programs for various organizations. He is a certified YMCA / USA program director and holds current CPR and First Aid certification. He has held the responsibility of complying with the licensing of child care programs for NY State Department of Children & Family Services. Ryan has also held the position of Children's Pastor with the Assemblies of God.

Ryan holds an Associates degree in Early Childhood Education, Bachelors degree in Management and a Masters Degree in Organizational Leadership. Currently, he is working on a Masters degree in Marriage & Family Therapy and is a member of the "American Association of Marriage and Family Therapist" (AAMFT). Ryan's focus is in counseling child & adolescent youth within the family dynamics and from a Biblical perspective. He serves as a counseling intern here at Faith Assembly of God Church.

His current responsibilities involve the directorship of Before and After School and Summer Camp programs. He currently serves as a committee member in representing the faith based community for the Children's Services Council of Dutchess County and a member of the Board of Directors for Taconic Resources, advocating the rights, services and wellbeing of children / youth.