

Your Position

Your job	Swim Instructor Kaiako Kauhoe
Your group	Community & Partnerships
Your team	Recreation
Your manager	Team Leader Swim School
Your base	Council premises within Porirua

What's most important to us

Porirua City is our place. A great place to live, work and raise a family. We want everyone to feel welcome, whether they are visiting, living or working here.

Our strategic priorities are to:

- Commit to the health of Te Awarua-o-Porirua Harbour and its catchment through investment, advocacy and regulation
- Build towards a low carbon city and proactively address the challenges of climate change
- Create thriving communities where everyone can be safe and healthy – at home, work or play
- Keep tamariki and rangatahi at the heart of our city

How we work together:

- Whakakotahi - Team up
Mā te mahi tahi e puta ai he hua ki tō tātou hāpori
Together we make a difference for our community
- Mahi Atamai - Work smart
Ka whakapātari i a tātou anō kia pai ake ai ngā hua
We challenge ourselves to do things better
- Whakatinanatia - Make it happen
Mā te whakapeto ngoi, me ngā pūkenga e tutuki ai ngā whāinga
We use our energy and skills to get things done

Your team's purpose

Community & Partnerships purpose is to:

- lead Council's strategic initiatives that support and manage business and commercial growth
- strengthen strategic relationship management for Council and maintain oversight of the partnership with Ngāti Toa Rangatira
- lead the Council's partnership approach with key stakeholders and community groups
- deliver community services, including library, recreation and cultural services

Your purpose

The Swim Instructor role is to:

- deliver professional swimming lessons, teaching children of all ages water safety skills

Who you'll be working with

Your direct reports	• none
Your indirect reports	• none
External people and groups	• members of the public, community groups • Skills Active, schools • swim clients and Swim clients' parents • Swimming NZ, other local authorities
Internal people and groups	• Executive Leadership Team, managers and staff at all levels of the organisation

Your responsibilities

What you'll do	How you'll do it
Operational Delivery	• Instruct swimming lessons from within the pool, teaching children of all ages how to be safe in the water, how to swim and basic swimming strokes. • Be responsible for your own class teaching water safety skills to a small group of children • Provide professional, well-structured and engaging classes which stimulate and challenge participants • Monitoring of class participation • Liaising with parents and caregivers of the children to provide progress updates and answer general questions relating to their child's swimming lessons • Assisting in the areas of programme administration where required • Ensure class structure is appropriate to the type of participants • Ensure all classes start on time, with any equipment prepared in advance • Report programme details to the Swim School Management as required • Use all swim school equipment with care and ensure the equipment is used appropriately during lessons and put away correctly in a tidy manner, report any breakages to the Team Leader Swim School. • All Swim Instructors will be provided with uniforms that must be worn at all times. • Assist with small events, such as prizegiving, as directed by the Swim School Management team • Administering first aid and following emergency procedures when required and in accordance with the pool emergency action plan • Committing to the roster and being punctual at all times Lifeguarding For those who are qualified lifeguards, lifeguard shifts can be mutually accepted from time to time and those shifts include these additional duties: • Undertaking lifeguarding duties providing competent and professional supervision of pool patrons using the facility. Supervision includes scanning poolside in order to prevent accidents from happening, identifying and escalating potential hazards and responding to emergencies in accordance with the pool's emergency action plan • Utilise first aid, rescue, and resuscitation techniques as a qualified First Aider where required • Conduct water testing in accordance with the pool's operational standards
Relationship Management	• Establish and maintain close working relationships with internal and external stakeholders, ensuring that relationships with key stakeholders are professional, positive and constructive
Corporate Responsibilities	• Willingly undertake any duty required within the context of the position • Adhere to our Code of Conduct • Undertake civil defence and emergency management tasks as directed including participation in pre-event training and rostered duties during an emergency event

Your skills, experience and qualifications

It's essential that you have:	• Enjoy working with Tamariki • The ability to motivate and teach water skills to children in small groups or one-on-one • Proven experience in the delivery of exceptional customer service • Confident communicator able to deal with disputes/conflict in a level-headed manner • Able to meet the physical demands of the role, including being in water for extended periods of time • Able to meet the police vetting requirements under the Children's Act 2014 • A positive can-do attitude • Proven reliability, punctuality and the ability to manage your time effectively • Able to work autonomously whilst also contributing effectively to a team • Able to be flexible with rostering requirements • Understanding and commitment to health and safety in the workplace • Understanding and commitment to diverse workplaces • Understanding and commitment to the Treaty of Waitangi and bicultural issues
It'd be great if you also have:	• Ideally worked in an aquatic/recreation workplace previously • First Aid Certificate • National Lifeguard Award (Pools)

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Porirua City Council supports an inclusive and welcoming environment and is a member of Te Urū Tāngata, Centre for Workplace Inclusion.