

# **School Spirit Coordinator Job Description**

## **Up to 9 hours a week**

### **General Statement:**

The School Spirit Coordinator is responsible for organizing and managing all mascot-related activities, including overseeing Captain Patches' appearances at games and university events. This role involves scheduling, coordinating logistics, social media management, and team collaboration.

### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Perform as Captain Patches at Whitworth and community events, staying in character while wearing the costume.
- Represent Whitworth's mission and values at on- and off-campus events.
- Maintain and use the Captain Patches costume properly.
- Engage with students, faculty, staff, families, alumni, and the community in character.
- Attend events throughout the year, including evenings, weekends, and summer events as applicable.
- Distribute Whitworth promotional items, pose for photos, and interact on Captain Patches' social media.
- Maintain confidentiality about the identity of Captain Patches performers.

### **Leadership and Event Oversight:**

- Manage scheduling and coordination for mascot appearances at university events.
- Oversee mascot participation in parades, halftime shows, pep rallies, and other events involving student organizations.
- Collaborate with cheer, dance, and music groups to enhance the game-day experience.
- Promote a vibrant campus atmosphere and sense of belonging by embodying Captain Patches.

### **Networking Opportunities:**

- Engage with fans, students, and alumni, building a network of connections.
- Serve as a collaborative link between the mascot program and other student organizations.

### **Skills:**

- Warm, outgoing personality
- Experience with crowds and children preferred
- Creativity and adaptability
- Independent, self-motivated, and detail-oriented
- Strong team-building, time management, and multitasking skills

**Requirements:**

- Current Whitworth student, enrolled in 12+ credits per semester
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher and be in good academic standing
- Height requirement: 5'6" to 6'2" to wear the Captain Patches costume comfortably
- Able to lift/move up to 50 pounds and perform physical mascot activities

**Selection Process:**

- Includes application, interview, audition, and role-playing activity.
- Chosen by the Captain Patches Committee, with the term lasting one academic year (Sept-May).
- Tryouts held at the start of each fall term.

Interested applicants should submit a completed application to Laurie Kelley at [lkelly@whitworth.edu](mailto:lkelly@whitworth.edu).