



## MEET OUR CAMP DIRECTOR

# Hassan Turner

Hi, my name is Hassan Turner and I am the Site Director for ESF at Riverdale Country School. Summer 2021 marks my 5th summer working at ESF! I began working for ESF in the summer of 2015 at Riverdale as the Sports Camp Director. My career in education began at Riverdale in 2002 as a substitute teacher in the lower school. In 2003, I was the permanent sub primarily in 4th grade as well as a few assignments at the upper school as a history teacher. I also coached the boys varsity lacrosse team. I then moved to the Cathedral School of St. John the Divine, where I was the Athletic Director and Dean of Students for the 7th and 8th grades for 9 years. There, I was able to collaborate with colleagues to create a strong and inclusive athletic program as well as to lead and assist in the creation of the Character Education program. Upon recent completion of my Master of Science degree in Educational Administration, I joined ESF for a third summer as the Asst. Site Director and also the Director of the RiverEdge After-School Programing at Riverdale during the school year. I look forward to working with families, faculty/staff so that we can, together, raise the bar and create a great summer experience for our campers! Outside of life at ESF, I am a husband and dad of 2 collegiate students. I love to coach sports, ski, play tennis and exercise regularly.

### What do you love about working at ESF?

I have the privilege to continuing serving kids with people that value their learning and growth in a fun way.

### What is your favorite camp tradition?

Day Camp Assembly.

### What is an ESF Fun Fact about you?

I like to participate with our campers in some of their activities.

### What is the most unique/interesting job you have had outside of ESF?

I drove "star" cars for some the most famous actors and actresses that come to New York City for filming movies and TV shows.

### What is your favorite quote?

"From what we get, we can make a living; what we give, however, makes a life." -Arthur Ashe

### What is one of your guilty pleasures?

Eating Haggen Daz Ice Cream

### If you could be a super hero who would it be?

To soar like an eagle.

