

JACOB PARKER

PROJECT MANAGEMENT | PRODUCTION

Passionate & motivated leader w/ 10+ yrs experience leading teams & organizations
Transitioning to games

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Dear Hiring Team,

Hello! My name is Jacob Parker: Gamer, life-long learner, cancer survivor, and energy drink aficionado. I have 10+ years in project leadership roles spanning multiple industries from education to hospitality. After cancer, I have been actively career pivoting to a career in gaming! I am excited to pursue a role in **Production or Project Management** where I can perfectly align my experience of leading teams and project management with my passion for gaming!

To better align myself with game development processes and pipelines, I achieved my Scrum PSM-1 certification and began teaching myself Unreal Engine 5. With proven experience managing and leading teams, I have developed and implemented numerous projects by collaborating with multiple departments and subjects through all stages of development, achieving a 51% proficiency increase in 1 year and exceeding my yearly 13% target. In addition, I spearheaded the creation of a customizable project and people development frameworks for departments to establish quarterly, bi-annual, and annual development roadmaps and collaborating sharing environments to foster a diverse and inclusive workspace.

As your next Producer or Project Manager, I bring the following:

- **Project Management.** I operate as a servant leader focused on coordinating day-to-day project applications with leadership staff, facilitating activities, determining and managing project backlogs, budgeting, scheduling, tracking progress, and identifying challenges, risks, roadblocks, and bottlenecks associated with projects to ensure deliverables are met in a timely manner. I am extremely confident in my ability to lead and not afraid of diving deeper while juggling multiple responsibilities with impeccable organization.
- **Collaboration and Communication.** Every voice matters from entry-level to executive leadership. My ability to communicate project needs, deadlines, and statuses across all departments and leadership levels ensures all input is acknowledged and valued. I am a natural-born communicator with superior communication and relationship-building skills with cross-functional teams.
- **Comfort with Ambiguity.** I thrive in environments where anything can change at any time and am not afraid to ask for help when needed. I work best when constantly adapting learning new methods and processes both individually and in team environments.

Everyone loves an underdog story - a story of perseverance and overcoming the odds; that's my story! Growing up playing games my entire life, gaming has had a profound effect in shaping who I have become. After overcoming cancer where gaming was my comfort and escape, my aspiration of pursuing gaming as a lifelong career and becoming a change agent in the industry has never been clearer.

Thank you, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
Jacob Parker