



CIT PROGRAM 2017

The CIT (Counselor In Training) Program is designed for teens (13-15 years old) who enjoy working with younger kids and who are interested in learning job/life skills. The goals are:

Encouraging youth collaboration, experiencing other perspectives, collective planning and implementation of activities, journaling, and having fun!

Developing youth leadership through social awareness and volunteerism, planning and implementing fundraising activities, working daily with younger campers, demonstrating responsibility for self and others, and confidence building opportunities.

Respecting others, learning to work as a team and communicate within a team, and improving leadership skills while understanding and respecting of others and taking accountability.

Teens will engage in a wide-variety of meaningful and fun activities that may include adventure courses, team building, sports/games, special field trips, volunteerism, hiking, swimming, exploration, and more. They will be responsible for planning and executing camp games, activities, songs, and more throughout the summer with the help of the CIT directors and camp counselors.

Requirements for the CIT Program:

1. Willingness to participate in all activities
2. Strong communication skills
3. Dedication to the CIT program
4. Willingness to work daily with campers, counselors, and other CITs
5. Continual self, team, and community reflection
6. Model honorable and appropriate behavior at all times
7. Show respect for all others in the program
8. Complete the application and interview process for the program
8. Attend AT LEAST 6 FULL weeks of camp (preference may be given to those who can attend more)
9. **Mandatory** attendance of first (orientation) week and final week of camp

Important Dates:

- Application available online: March 17
- Application deadline: Friday, May 5
- Interviews will be completed by Friday, May 15
- Date for notification of acceptance: May 19
- Parent Night: May 31 at Secret Youth Center, 6-7 pm
- Start Date: June 6
- Mandatory Weeks: June 6-9 and July 25-28

Tuesday through Friday

Cost: Resident \$110 Nonresident \$120

Week 1 (Mandatory) June 6-June 9

Week 2 June 13-June 16

Week 3 June 20-June 23

Week 4 June 27-June 30

Week 5 July 5-July 7

Week 6 July 11-July 14

Week 7 July 18-July 21

Week 8 (Mandatory) July 25-July 28

Things to include:

Application

Parent paperwork

Permission slips

Counselor In Training (CIT) Application

Please submit this application with 1-2 letters of recommendation (from teachers, administrators, counselors, or coaches...NO family); applications without letters of recommendation will not be accepted and/or considered.

Applicant/Contact Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Home Phone Number
Age	Date of Birth		Cell Phone Number
Grade in Fall 2017	School		Email
Address			
Parent and/or guardian names			Parent or Guardian Phone Number

**Please answer the following questions truthfully and meaningfully.
If you need more room to write, you may attach an additional sheet of paper.**

What does it mean to be a CIT? _____

In your own words, what does the word leadership mean? _____

What responsibilities does a leader have? _____

What experiences have you had with leadership? (In school, with friends, or at home) _____

What responsibilities does a counselor have when working with children? _____

What responsibilities does a CIT have when working with camp staff? _____

What qualities will make you valuable to the CIT program? _____

Which quality do you have that you would most like to improve? _____

What qualities don't you have, but would like to gain throughout the summer? _____

Schedule Commitments

Please write in the column to the right of the mandatory attendance prompt YES I can attend camp or NO I cannot attend camp.

June 6-9 (orientation weeks)	
July 25-28 (carnival week)	
FOUR weeks (minimum) [Determined by family scheduling needs]	

List any work experience you have, paid and/or volunteer.

If you have more work experiences, you may attach an additional sheet of paper.

Name of employer _____ Dates employed _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____

Supervisor _____ Job Title _____

Duties _____

Have you ever been fired or asked to resign from a job? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please explain: _____

PLEASE READ EACH STATEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

~I certify that all information provided in this application is true and complete. I understand that any false information or omission may disqualify me from further consideration for CIT and may justify my dismissal if discovered at a later date.

~I authorize the investigation of any or all statements contained in this application and also authorize any person, school, current employer, past employers and organizations named in this application to provide relevant information and opinions that may be useful in making a decision. I release such persons and organizations from any legal liability in making such statements.

~I understand that this application or subsequent employment does not create a contract of participation in the CIT program nor guarantee participation for any definite period for time. If chosen, I understand that I will be participating at the will of the program leader and my participation may be terminated at any time, with or without cause and with or without notice.

~I understand that as a CIT I am required to attend two 4-day weeks (June 6-June 9 and July 25-July 28), along with four 4-day weeks (Tuesday through Friday), for a minimum of 6 weeks of attendance.

~I have read, understand, and by my signature consent to these statements.

Signature (CIT) _____ Date _____

~As the parent or guardian of this potential CIT, I understand and agree to the program commitment. I also certify this application was filled out by my son and/or daughter without pressure and/or plagiarism.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____