

Camp Conowingo CIT
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SO, YOU WANT TO BE A COUNSELOR IN TRAINING?

Here are some things that you should consider: Being a Counselor in Training means you are neither a traditional camper nor a staff member. This can be a difficult situation no matter what kind of person you may be. Keep in mind that part of learning how to provide a positive camping experience for others includes giving a lot of extra effort from you. We will ask this very often of every participant. At times it will seem that you have no time for yourself, but in the end we hope that you will see what it is that keeps our wonderful staff members coming back year after year. There is nothing to compare with the tremendous feeling of knowing that you helped to contribute to that wonderful camp spirit. You are a part of what makes Camp Conowingo such a great place to spend a summer. You pass on all of the love and tradition that makes camp "magical." So, think about why you want to be involved in the Counselor in Training Program. If you are applying only because all of your camp friends are applying or because you can't think of anything else to do during the summer, then this program is not for you. We expect commitment - a commitment that delivers many rewards but also demands you giving us your all. The camp staff and particularly the Counselor in Training Counselor will be there to help you, but you owe it to yourself and to Camp to make this commitment the best it can be!

THE PRACTICAL SIDE

While we strive to provide an excellent Camp Counselor in Training Program, we also recognize the reality that not everyone who participates in the program will qualify for a position on our staff the following summer. From the hundreds of applications we receive each and every year, we hire only the most qualified young women--a reason why so many parents entrust us with their children's care and development. **We do not promise future employment simply because you complete the Camp Counselor in Training program.**

LIMITATIONS AND EXPECTATIONS

Below are some specific points that you should carefully review and discuss with your parent/guardian. We expect you to follow these guidelines if you become a participant in the program.

1. We expect that you will cooperate fully in maintaining cleanliness, order, and self-discipline within your living area.
2. Counselors in Training will be under the immediate guidance of the Leadership Counselor and will at times be assigned to a cabin group or program area with campers. The counselor will provide guidance in a training program that will lead to a valuable learning experience.
3. CIT's will engage in many different activities. The purpose of this is to teach new skills and to provide you with knowledge of coaching methods/techniques.

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4. When assigned to work with a cabin group or program area we expect that you will not only assist the staff and campers, but that you will also observe and take advantage of the opportunity to learn from the experience.

5. CIT's are still campers, but they will be allowed certain privileges which will be determined by the CIT Counselor and the Camp Director.

6. CIT's should always be punctual and attend all camp programs

7. Counselors in Training are expected to regulate their personal habits by the common sense rules of good health and positive role modeling. **SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN CAMP.** The use of **ALCOHOL, NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUGS, OR TOBACCO** on or off of camp property is cause for **IMMEDIATE EXPULSION FROM CAMP AND THE COUNSELOR IN TRAINING PROGRAM.**

After reading all of the above information, if you feel that this is the right program for you to participate in then please fill out the following application. Once we receive your application we will process those and determine if you will be placed into the leadership program for the summer of 2012.

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Name _____ Camp Name (nickname) _____

Address _____

Email _____

Birth date _____ Telephone # _____

Parent/Guardian name(s) _____

School name _____ Grade in September _____ Graduation Year _____

Extra-curricular activities:

Training/Certifications completed (i.e. lifeguard, babysitter)

Hobbies:

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Camp experience, location, and
dates: _____

Work experience and position (also list
address): _____

List three references, full address, email, and telephone number (not related to you):-

Please write an essay about your strengths and weaknesses and how they will attribute or pose a challenge to you if you are chosen as a Camp Conowingo Counselor-in-Training (please use separate sheet of paper)

Signature

Date
