

Goshen Parks & Recreation Summer Day Camp CAMP COUNSELOR in TRAINING (CIT) Application

Must be 13 years old and should have prior experience with children and/or this camp.
CPR and First Aid certification is a plus but not required.

All former applicants must reapply each year.

Please understand that a limited number of people will be chosen for our CIT program.

There will be a \$75 fee for each week a CIT is at camp.

DO NOT send this fee in with your application.

If you are chosen for a CIT position you will be notified by email with instructions regarding how to register and pay for your desired weeks online.

We find that our best CITs are those who genuinely wish to be at camp, not those who are there because their parents make them do it.

Our Counselor in Training Program is designed to offer motivated and enthusiastic young people an opportunity to prepare for positions as camp counselors. Emphasis is placed upon developing a good work ethic, being proactive in a work environment, leadership skills, and sensitivity to children's needs. CITs are still classified as campers, but have additional leadership roles and responsibilities.

Because we always experience high interest in our CIT program and space is limited, not everyone who applies will be accepted into the program. CITs will be selected based primarily, but not exclusively, on the following:

*Attention to following deadlines and guidelines for applications (applicants must fill out their own applications)

*Past history with our camp

*Character references as requested on the application.

*We expect that applicants, not their parents, will reach out to our office with inquiries regarding the CIT program. A good way to show that you are mature enough for this position is by being responsible for your own communication with us.

Having your parent fill this application out for you will greatly diminish the chances of being accepted into the CIT program. Please print legibly – all information is required.

Name _____ DOB _____ Age as of 7/1/24 _____

Mailing Address _____

Town _____ Zip _____

Please note: Our communication will be mainly via email/text and with you, the applicant. Please provide your cell number and email address.

Applicant's Cell # _____ Applicant's Home Phone # _____

Applicant's Email address: _____

Education

Middle School: _____

High School: _____ Graduation date: _____

Counselor in Training Questionnaire

Please fill out this questionnaire as part of your application for the CIT Program.

Extracurricular activities at school:

Community service activities or volunteer work:

Extra activities, sports or lessons:

How did you hear about our camp?

Do you have experience working with children (even siblings!)? Who, when & where?

List 3-5 adjectives that your teachers/friends/relatives would use to describe you?

What skills do you have that will add to the camp experience this summer?

Describe your favorite memory from attending this camp.

If you are chosen for a CIT position we know you will have a great time, meet new people, fulfill community service requirements, and get experience for your future college applications and job resumes. CIT's are expected to follow these and all Goshen Parks & Recreation rules.

- Arrive promptly for your scheduled start time and be available until your scheduled dismissal time.
- Unexcused lateness and absences are not acceptable. If you have an emergency or need to leave camp early for any reason, notify the camp director as soon as possible.
- You will be given a camp shirt to wear for your scheduled days. You must also wear sneakers and appropriate shorts.
- Fully participate in all areas of camp. Act as a leader and take initiative to complete all daily tasks without being asked. As a leader, we expect you to engage and encourage campers at all times, including each morning as everyone arrives.
- Work with camp staff daily to set-up, clean-up, and keep the camp orderly.
- Be respectful.
- Take steps to ensure camper safety during all activities.
- Use of cell phones is not permitted during camp hours except during your lunch time.
- Promptly inform the camp staff and/or camp director of any serious problems that may arise.
- Inappropriate language, behavior, or attitude will result in a warning or possible dismissal.

I, _____, have read and understand these rules.

Signature: _____

Are you certified in CPR and/or First Aid? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, please include a current copy with your application.

List 3 character references (not family members), their telephone #s, and relationship: Examples – teacher, guidance counselor, Girl Scout/Boy Scout leader, volunteer organization leader, coach – someone who can vouch for your leadership skills and character.

	REFERENCE	PHONE #	RELATIONSHIP
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____

Please be aware that if you are accepted for a CIT position you must attend a mandatory annual Employee/Volunteer Orientation on Thursday June 6, 2024.. This training is mandated by the State of New York and must be completed each year. If you do not attend this training, for any reason, we cannot have you as a volunteer for the 2024 summer season.

All CIT applications must be received at our office by April 1, 2024

No applications will be accepted after April 1, 2024

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent _____ Date _____

Please return completed application to:

Goshen Parks & Recreation

email: goshenjrc@gmail.com

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