

Dear CIT Candidate,

This summer, if you will be at least 16 years-old and/or entering 11th grade, you can participate in the YMCA Camp Campbell Gard CIT program! We are excited about you joining our Summer Camp Team!

The CIT program is designed to help you develop your leadership skills and learn how to work with children effectively. CIT's form a strong team while helping with just about everything at camp, such as keeping camp clean, performing kitchen work, completing work projects, providing guidance to campers, and leading camp activities. CIT's also get to participate in awesome camp activities (such as rock climbing, water skiing, high ropes, and mountain biking) along with their college-aged leaders.

THE BENEFITS OF THE CIT PROGRAM

- Make a difference in the lives of children
- Gain volunteer service hours and participate in camp for FREE
- Gain skills that will enrich your life
- Make lifelong friendships, have fun, and create unforgettable memories
- Spend your summer in a beautiful outdoor setting

THE RIGHT FIT – YOU MUST:

- Share our "I AM THIRD" philosophy – God is first, others are second, and you are third
- Share our YMCA Character Values of Caring, Honesty, Respect, Responsibility, and Faith
- Share our love of camp, children, and the outdoors
- Share our commitment to excellence in safety, courtesy, programming, and camp culture
- Be a positive role model – mature, responsible, and caring
- Must have a positive attitude, fun and enthusiastic personality, and a great sense of humor

THE COMMITMENT

- CIT Training (MANDATORY) June 13-18, 2010
- Camp Sessions – you must commit to volunteering at least two camp sessions this summer:
 - June 20-25
 - July 4-9
 - July 11-16
 - July 25-30
 - August 1-6
 - August 8-13

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

- Complete the attached CIT Application
- Ask your parent/guardian to complete the CIT Parent/Guardian Recommendation Form
- Ask an adult (who is not related to you) to fill out the CIT Recommendation Form
- Mail all forms to YMCA Camp Campbell Gard, Attn: Jim Sexstone, PO Box 13029, Hamilton, OH 45013
- When we receive all of your forms, we will contact you for an interview

CIT positions fill quickly, so please send your application and recommendation forms as soon as possible. Please note that the CIT program is highly competitive – unfortunately, not all applicants can be accepted. Preference will be given to applicants who were campers and/or participants in the LIT program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me personally at (513) 867-0600 or sexstone@gmvymca.org. I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Character through Camping,

Jim Sexstone

Jim Sexstone
Executive Director



CIT Application

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**** TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT – PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ****

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Age: _____ School Grade (Fall 2010): _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Phone:(_____) Cell Phone:(_____)
E-mail Address: _____
Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ Phone:(_____)
How did you find out about the CIT program? _____

AVAILABILITY

Please rank the sessions you prefer to work in order from 1 to 6 (1 = most prefer, 6 = least prefer). Put an "X" next to any sessions you are unavailable. You must volunteer at least two sessions during the summer. You may not work half-sessions. **You must attend CIT Training on June 13-18, 2010.**

_____ June 20-25, 2010 _____ July 11-16, 2010 _____ August 1-6, 2010
_____ July 4-9, 2010 _____ July 25-30, 2010 _____ August 8-13, 2010

SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

What school do you attend? _____
What extra-curricular activities do you attend? _____
What leadership positions have you held? _____

WORK EXPERIENCE

Please list your most recent work experiences. If you have not had a job, please leave the spaces blank.
Employer: _____ Duties: _____
Employer: _____ Duties: _____

CAMP EXPERIENCE

Please list your camp experiences. If you have not attended camp, please leave the spaces blank.
Camp: _____ Type of Program: _____
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AWARDS AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Please list any awards or volunteer service activities.

QUESTIONS

1. Why would you like to participate in the CIT program this summer? _____

2. What are your three (3) greatest strengths:
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
3. What are your three (3) greatest challenges (areas for improvement):
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
4. Why should we select you to participate in the CIT program? _____

5. What do you hope to get out of the CIT program? _____

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT

I understand that the CIT program is competitive and that some applicants will not be chosen to participate in the program. Applicants who do not participate in the CIT program are encouraged to register for the LIT (Leaders-in-Training) program.

If selected to participate in the CIT program, I understand that I must attend CIT Training (June 13-18, 2010) and commit to volunteering at least two weeks during the summer. I am aware that this is a volunteer service program, and I will not be paid for any of my time at camp.

I understand that participants in the CIT program must adhere to all YMCA Camp Campbell Gard policies and cooperate with the Camp Director in all matters. I am aware that failure to live up to the high standards of the CIT program may result in dismissal from camp. I recognize that my attitudes, words, and actions are critical to the success of camp, and I promise to do my best in reflecting the values of the YMCA: caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, and faith.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____



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Parent/Guardian Recommendation Form

Applicant Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Please comment on the following items, which are significant to how your child would perform in the CIT program. If there is an area in which he/she could improve, this is a great opportunity for growth.

GETTING SELF UP ON TIME

CONDITION OF BEDROOM

CHORES OR HOUSEHOLD RESPONSIBILITIES

RESPECT FOR AUTHORITY

VOLUNTEER SERVICE OR JOBS

PARTICIPATION IN EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

SPENDING SPARE TIME

WORKING WITH A TEAM TO PERFORM A TASK

TREATING SIBLINGS AND/OR FRIENDS

SOCIAL SKILLS

AREAS FOR GROWTH OR IMPROVEMENT



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Recommendation Form

Applicant Name: _____ Date: _____

Reference Name: _____ Phone #: _____

This individual has applied for position of responsibility and influence (working with children ages 5-15) at YMCA Camp Campbell Gard. We would greatly appreciate your honest evaluation of the applicant.

1. How are you associated with the applicant?
2. What do you think are the strengths of the applicant?
3. What do you think are the weaknesses of the applicant?
4. Would you feel comfortable leaving your child the direct care and/or influence of the applicant?

	Low	High	Comments
Positive Attitude	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Enthusiasm	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Responsibility	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Initiative	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Teamwork	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Character	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Relating to Children	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		
Social Skills	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9		