

2011 Counselor-In-Training Application

Dear Applicant:

One of the wonderful things about Simon Kenton Council Camps is that the vast majority of the staff members are former campers. It is common for many Scouts, after experiencing the friendship and dedication of our summer camp staff, to want to return for additional weeks in camp and eventually become staff members themselves. A well-constructed counselor-in-training program maintains the quality of the camp staff. Over ninety percent of the staff has gone through at least one year of this two-year program.

At our camps, CIT's are not junior staff members. They are in a fun, rewarding and challenging training program, not a free labor pool. There is a Staff Trainer whose full-time job is to work with the CIT's.



COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING – PART A

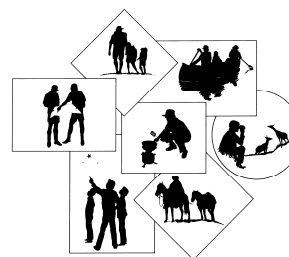
Scouts, who are at least 14 years old as of June 1st are eligible for CIT-A. This one-week program is a combination of a leadership training program and a behind-the-scenes tour of camp. In various sessions, Scouts learn such skills from how to throw together a hilarious skit in ten minutes to how to effectively help a scout learn a skill over the course of a week. The CIT's also learn about the Aims and Methods of Scouting and how we use such ideas as the patrol method in summer camp operations. Participating in initiative games or developing a crazy and original name, flag, handshake and song with the other members of the CIT-A patrol, Scouts learn more about camp and about Scouting. The cost for this one-week program is \$100.

COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING – PART B

Scouts, who are at least 15 years old as of June 1st and who have taken CIT-A, are eligible for CIT-B. This two-week program builds on the training gained in CIT-A and gives the Scouts a chance to spend time in each of the areas of camp, learning more of what it would be like to work on staff. They are expected to "Set the Example" not only for the Scouts and leaders of the troops in camp, but also for the CIT-A's. This time is an excellent opportunity for these Scouts to get an idea of where they would like to potentially serve the next year as a staff member. Since it is a camp training program, it is also the last time for many of these boys to experience camp without the responsibilities of being a camp staff member. The cost for this two-week program is \$100.

Before you complete and submit this application, ponder for a few moments about why you want to be a Counselor-in-Training, and potentially a member of the Camp Staff. Do you have valuable skills to offer? Are you mature enough and dedicated enough to offer cheerful service when deep inside you'd rather be in bed? Are you ready to accept responsibility for your own actions – good and bad? Think about it! If you are ready to be a Counselor-in-Training, please submit this form as soon as possible, along with your \$100 payment. Send your application to:

Camping Department
Simon Kenton Council
Boy Scouts of America
1901 E. Dublin-Granville Rd.
P.O. Box 29207
Columbus, OH 43229-0207



What is Camp Staff?

A summer spent on the staff at Camp Falling Rock, Camp Lazarus, Camp Oyo, or Chief Logan Reservation is one of the most memorable experiences of a lifetime. Every successful summer camp year has owed its success to its camp staff.

Know that the Simon Kenton Council Camp Staffs are winning teams. As the summer progresses, staff members are expected to share ideas and suggestions to help make the camp experience come to life for the youth, adults, troops, crews and packs we serve.

From the moment the staff arrives until we close down at the end of the season, the staff is encouraged to take advantage of the programs and facilities of the Simon Kenton Council – the trails, the trees, and even the latrines. There are swimming areas to cool-off, exciting places to explore, natural surroundings to appreciate and get to know better, and the good food and fellowship of working with a collection of outstanding people.

Serving on the staff of the Simon Kenton Council is also a huge challenge. Over 3,000 young people and their leaders will pass through the camp gates expecting a great adventure. The camp staff is there to make their adventure the best that it can be. This can mean long hours, irksome tasks, and weighty responsibilities, but if kept in perspective, it will be fun.

Boy Scouts of America Declaration of Religious Principle

The Boy Scouts of America maintains that no member can grow into the best kind of citizen without recognizing his obligation to God, and therefore, acknowledges the religious element in the training of the member, but it is absolutely nonsectarian in its attitude toward the religious training. Its policy is that the organization or institution with which the member is connected shall give definite attention to his religious life. Only persons willing to agree with this declaration of principle and the Bylaws of the Boy Scouts of America shall be entitled to certificates of leadership.

Scout Oath and Law

Counselors-in-Training, like all Scouts, are expected to abide by the Scout Oath and Law:

Scout Oath or Promise

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law, to help other people at all times, and to keep myself physically fit, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Scout Law

A Scout is Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent.

Side-Bar Items

All Counselors-in-Training must be registered in the Boy Scouts of America. If you are not currently registered with the BSA, doing so will be a condition of selection.

In compliance with the Civil Rights Act, the Simon Kenton Council will not deprive individuals the use of employment, programs, or facilities based on national origin, race, creed, color, sex, age, or handicap provided they meet other eligibility requirements.

You should keep pages 1 & 2 for your information. **You only need to submit pages 3 & 4**, along with your \$100 payment. A member of the Camp Staff will contact you regarding your selection for the program, and confirm your availability.

I want to be in the CIT program for: Chief Logan Falling Rock Lazarus Oyo

Basic Personal Information

<i>Date Application Completed</i>			
<i>Name</i>			
Home			
<i>Address</i>			
<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>	
<i>Phone</i>			
<i>E-Mail</i>			
<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Shirt Size</i> _____	<i>Male</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Female</i> <input type="checkbox"/>

Scouting Experience (not required)

<i>Current Unit</i>	<i>District/Council</i>			
<i>Current Scouting Position</i>				
	Cub Scouting	Boy Scouting	Venturing	Exploring
<i>Length of Time As</i>				
<i>Highest Award Earned</i>				

Female applicants may list Girl Scouting experience under Cub Scouting or Boy Scouting.

Extra-Curricular Activities, Hobbies, and Interests

Why do you want to participate in the Counselor-in-Training program?

Which program are you interested in?

Counselor-in-Training Part A (one-week program - \$100)
 Counselor-in-Training Part B (two-week program - \$100)

I agree with the Declaration of Religious Principle. Yes No
 _____ Which session(s) of camp will you attend CIT Training?

References – by signing below, I give permission to contact references.

	Name	Position	Phone #	Address	City	State	Zip
1.	_____						
2.	_____						
3.	_____						

Signature _____ Date _____ Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

CIT Experience?

Please check all that apply. This is very important.

AQUATICS

- Swimming Merit Badge
- Lifesaving Merit Badge
- Rowing Merit Badge
- Canoeing Merit Badge
- Small Boat Sailing Merit Badge
- Motor boating Merit Badge
- Water Skiing Merit Badge
- B.S.A. Lifeguard
- Red Cross Advanced Lifesaving
- BSA SCUBA
- Snorkeling BSA
- Kayaking BSA

HANDICRAFTS

- Art Merit Badge
- Basketry Merit Badge
- Indian Lore Merit Badge
- Leatherwork Merit Badge
- Metalwork Merit Badge
- Pottery Merit Badge
- Sculpture Merit Badge
- Woodcarving Merit Badge
- Craft Strip Lacing Projects

SCOUTCRAFT

- Camping Merit Badge
- Cooking Merit Badge
- Pioneering Merit Badge
- Hiking Merit Badge
- First Aid Merit Badge
- Orienteering Merit Badge
- Wilderness Survival Merit Badge
- Knot Tying Have Taught
- Knife & Axe Safety Have Taught
- Tent Pitching Have Taught
- Fire Building Have Taught
- Citizenship Have Taught
- Troop & Patrol Method Have Taught
- Wilderness Backpacking

PERFORMING ARTS

- Drama
- Musical Instrument Bugling
- Singing Choir
- Stage Crew Lighting Sound
- Photography
- Cinematography (Video)
- Have been in a Scout Skit or Song
- Have Led a Scout Skit or Song
- Have organized and led a campfire

ECOLOGY /CONSERVATION

- Environmental Science Merit Badge
- Mammals Study Merit Badge
- Nature Merit Badge
- Forestry Merit Badge
- Weather Merit Badge
- Pulp and Paper Merit Badge
- Astronomy Merit Badge
- Reptile & Amphibian Merit Badge
- Plant Science Merit Badge
- Geology Merit Badge
- Botany Merit Badge
- Bird Study Merit Badge
- Gardening Merit Badge
- Soil & Water Cnsrv. Merit Badge
- Fish & Wildlife Mgt. Merit Badge
- Fishing Merit Badge
- World Conservation Award

FIELD & SHOOTING SPORTS

- Archery Merit Badge
- Action Archery
- Rifle Shooting Merit Badge
- NRA Instructor
- Shotgun Shooting Merit Badge
- NRA Hunter Safety
- Sports Merit Badge
- Athletics Merit Badge
- Personal Fitness Merit Badge
- First Aid Merit Badge
- Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge
- Climbing/Rappelling Merit Badge

BUSINESS

- School Math Average Grade _____
- American Business Merit Badge
- Personal Management Merit Badge
- Salesmanship Merit Badge
- Retail Sales

MEDICAL

- CPR Training

FOOD SERVICE

- Food Preparation Large Group (200+)
- Table Busing
- Food Server
- Dish Washer
- Fast Food

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

- Den Chief Training
- Order of the Arrow O B V
- National Youth Leader Training Staff
- National Advanced Youth Leadership

MAINTENANCE

OTHER

SCHOOL

- Name of School _____
- Last Grade Completed _____
- Grade Point Average _____