

# 2017 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

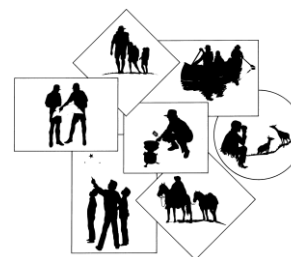
Scouts, who are at least 14 years old as of June 1st are eligible for CIT-A. This one-week program is a combination of a leadership training program and a behind-the-scenes tour of camp. In various sessions, Scouts learn such skills from how to throw together a hilarious skit in ten minutes to how to 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 \$200.

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 payment. Send your application to:

Camping Department  
Simon Kenton Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
807 Kinnear Rd. Suite 200  
Columbus, OH 43212



## 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 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  Oyo  
Basic Personal Information (Please Print)

<i>Date Application Completed</i>			
<i>Name</i>			
<b>Home</b>			
<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> _____	<i>Female</i> _____

**Scouting Experience (not required)**

<i>Current Unit</i>	<i>District/Council</i>			
<i>Current Scouting Position</i>				
	<b>Cub Scouting</b>	<b>Boy Scouting</b>	<b>Venturing</b>	<b>Exploring</b>
<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**

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

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**Which program are you interested in?**

Counselor-in-Training Part A (one-week program - \$100)  I agree with the Declaration of Religious Principle.  Yes  No  
 Counselor-in-Training Part B (two-week program - \$200) \_\_\_\_\_ Which session(s) of camp will you attend CIT Training?

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

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Phone #</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>
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 \_\_\_\_\_