

Dear Counselor In Training Applicants,

Thank you for your interest in the Counselor in Training (C.I.T.) Program. We are requiring all interested C.I.T.'s to apply for a position in our program. All applications are due by March 1, 2015. After we receive your application, the C.I.T. Coordinator or I will contact new applicants to set up a brief interview. Once all applicants have been interviewed we will contact you by mail by March 31<sup>st</sup> to let you know if you have been accepted into the program, as well as a bill for your parents. Payment will be due by April 15, 2015.

Fees:

Members: \$265 per session	Non-Members: \$315 per session
Members: \$1,007 for all 4 sessions	Non-Members: \$1,007 for all 4 sessions.

The goal of the C.I.T. Program is to find participants that have a true desire to work with children. It is our goal to teach you through hands on experience the aspects of working with children at camp. This will include planning and implementing activities, organization of campers, discipline and at times parent interaction.

Each C.I.T. will be assigned a group each session. They will work with the counselors of their group with all the day to day operations of camp and will participate in all activities. The C.I.T. Coordinator will ask the counselors to evaluate the C.I.T. that was assigned to their group and I will use those evaluations when hiring C.I.T.'s to be paid staff members in the future.

Attached is the application for the C.I.T. program. Take your time filling it out. Be sure to return it to me by March 1, 2015.

If at anytime in the application process you have any questions, please contact me at (203) 655-8228 ext. 1331 or by e-mail at [srichards@darien-ymca.org](mailto:srichards@darien-ymca.org).

Sincerely yours,

Suzanne M. Richards  
School Age Director/ Camp Director

**DARIEN YMCA  
COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (C.I.T.)  
2015 APPLICATION**

The Darien YMCA will be accepting applications for a position in our Counselor In Training (C.I.T.) program thru **March 1, 2015**.

Applicants must have completed 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> Grade in order to be eligible.

Applicants Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Completed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Sessions applying for (check all that apply):

- \_\_\_ Session 1      June 22 – July 3
- \_\_\_ Session 2      July 6 – July 17
- \_\_\_ Session 3      July 20 – July 31
- \_\_\_ Session 4      August 3 – August 14

When answering questions, feel free to use a blank piece of paper if you run out of space.

What are your interests? What do you like to do after school and on weekends?

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Pick someone who has effected your life in a positive way (i.e. teacher, counselor, parent, relative, friend, etc) and tell us how they effected your life.

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Is there a specific age group that you'd like to work with (Pre-School thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade)?

Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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All C.I.T.'s are required to plan and implement a small activity throughout the week. This activity can be an art project, gym game, group game or song. Describe two activities that you would feel comfortable planning and implementing.

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Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about yourself? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Applicant's Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

Please return applications to:  
Darien YMCA  
2420 Post Road  
Darien, CT. 06820  
Attn: Suzanne Richards