



2017

Spotsylvania 4-H Camp Counselor-In-Training Application

This application is
for youth who are
age 13 & 14 as of
January 1, 2017

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

STREET

CITY

ZIP

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

E-MAIL (parent or applicant) best to use for camp notifications _____

DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____ CURRENT AGE ____ SEX M ____ F ____

SCHOOL: _____ GRADE: _____

ETHNICITY: Hispanic ____ or Non-Hispanic ____

CHECK ALL THAT APPLY: Asian ____ White ____ Black ____ American Indian ____ Hawaiian or Pacific Islander ____
Other ____

4 -H EXPERIENCE (list # years): Club Member ____ Jr. Camper ____ Jr. Camp CIT ____ CIT Class ____

T-SHIRT SIZE: ADULT SMALL ____ MED ____ LARGE ____ X-LARGE ____ XX-LARGE ____

PARENT/GUARDIANS) NAME(S): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN(S) PHONE NUMBERS

HOME: () _____ WORK: () _____ CELL: () _____

Return application and payment of \$300 by January 6th to:

Terry Graham VCE Spotsylvania

P.O. Box 95 Spotsylvania, VA 22553

540-507-7520

Make checks payable to: Treasurer of Virginia Tech

\$50.00 return check fee applies to any returned checks

Application Due by January 6, 2017

Counselor-in-Training Philosophy

The philosophy of the CIT program is for youth to develop and improve their skills, as well as utilize their abilities, to work with others in a camp setting; to learn responsibility and the importance of following through on commitments and assignments; and to learn camp procedures and program skills. The CIT program is designed to teach potential new counselors how to work with younger children and to have them return as counselors in the coming years. CIT's learn the purpose of 4-H Camping and how it relates to the total overall 4-H program. The CIT program provides opportunities for youth to grow and develop as well as learn leadership skills as they serve in the camping program. For these reasons, 4-H Camp CIT's are valued for the important contributions that they can make to the Spotsylvania 4-H camping program.

Description of a Counselor-in-Training

Youth volunteers serving as 4-H Camp counselor's-in-training are non-salaried staff who have agreed to fill defined roles in the camp setting. 4-H camp CIT's will not supervise children in the 4-H camp setting but will learn responsibilities and aspects for the well-being of the campers in the future. Their primary role is to appropriately watch and observe 4-H counselors and staff. This is a very important role in the camping environment. Given this fact, a 4-H camp CIT must possess a positive, role-model aspect in their character and well-being while interacting with their peers.

Job Description of a Counselor-in-Training

CIT's are under the supervision, direction, guidance, and leadership of an experienced 4-H Camp Teen Counselor. CITs and Teen Counselors are supervised by adult volunteers and all three are directly responsible to the 4-H Extension Agent in charge of the camping event.

CIT's are Responsible for the following aspects of camp:

- *assisting 4-H Camp teen counselors with their*
- *being able and willing to always treat each camper, staff*
- *attending and participating in classes and activities*
- *demonstrating familiarity with 4-H Center rules*
- *being able and willing to accept and serve in leadership roles when needed and working as a member of the team when others are in leadership positions*
- *setting a positive example for boys and girls at all times during 4-H camp, as well as for the staff working with the 4-H camping program*
- *being present and on time for all assigned activities,*
- *learning the objectives of 4-H Camping*
- *providing for the safety and well-being of each*
- *performing other duties as assigned by my Extension Agent in charge of camp*

All the following responses should be written in PARAGRAPH FORM! Not TEXT!

4-H Experience

Please list your experiences in 4-H. Include school clubs, community clubs, special interest clubs, etc. and the activities you have participated in.

Leadership Experience

Please list your experiences in holding a leadership role in a group setting. Examples could include Club Officer, Team Captain, Band Section Leader, etc.

Camping Experience

Please list your camping experiences other than 4-H. This could include church camps, scout camps, sports camps, day camps, over-night camps, etc. Also include the year along with the specific camp you have attended.

Personal Review

Choose a word that you think would best describe you. _____

What does being a great leader mean to you?

Who do you consider to be your “hero” in your life? And Why?

Why do you feel you should be selected as a CIT in 2017?

Agreement and Consent

I have read and understand the CIT Philosophy, Description and Job Description. I understand that all CIT applicants must successfully complete a screening, selection and training process before being allowed to attend Spotsylvania 4-H Camp. **This process includes: a completed application, 1 reference check, and group interview.**

If selected as a 4-H Camp Counselor-in-Training, I will uphold the camp rules, regulations and procedures. I will abide by the 4-H Code-of-Conduct Form during the entire camping week and will conduct myself as a responsible young adult.

I hereby certify that all of the entries on this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any falsification of the information herein constitutes cause for dismissal. I also understand that records and criminal background or reference checks may be conducted on me at any time during the application process/during volunteer service.

I understand that Virginia Cooperative Extension programs and employment are open to all, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, veteran status, nation origin, disability, or political affiliation. Virginia Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity employer.

<i>Printed CIT Name</i>	<i>CIT Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Printed Parent/Guardian Name</i>	<i>Parent/Guardian Signature</i>	<i>Date</i>

Social Networking

Please check the following social networking sites that you are associated with:

- Facebook** (Are you a fan of Spotsylvania? Yes No)
- Texting** (Do you use text more than e-mail? Yes No)
- Email** (How often do you check your e-mail? Daily Weekly)



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