

Camp Kawartha

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Leadership Application 2012

For CSD, W-CSD, and LIT, W-LIT courses

Name: _____ Telephone: _____
Address: _____ Birthdate (mm/dd/yy): _____
_____ Age as of Dec 31/12: _____
E-mail: _____

Indicate Choices (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd ...)	July Sessions: (June 29 – July 25)	August Sessions: (July 29 – Aug 24)
	___CSD-1 ___ LIT-1 ___ W-LIT	___CSD-2 ___ LIT-2 ___W-CSD

Are you willing to register for the Wilderness Canoe Trip, and/or Challenge and Adventure if not accepted into any of the above:

Yes _____ No _____ If so, which ones: Sr. Trip C & A

prior years at Camp Kawartha (summer camp): _____

What have you done?

2-week Regular Residential Camp	_____
3-week Pre-Leadership Camp	_____
Senior Wilderness Canoe Trip	_____
Challenge and Adventure	_____
Wilderness Living Skills	_____
CSD (Counsellor Skills Development)	_____
Bronze Medallion	_____
Bronze Cross	_____

	level
Archery	_____
Canoeing	_____
Kayaking	_____
Sailing	_____
Windsurf	_____

All campers are now required to submit a wallet-sized photo of themselves for safety reasons. Please attach one here:

List anything else we should know: _____

Give your response to the following questions on a separate piece of paper (hand written):

- Write a one page letter explaining:
 - Why you want to join this program? Why you would make a good candidate?
 - How you will contribute to the teamwork of the group?
 - The most valuable thing you learned from last summer?
 - The goals you wish to accomplish through this program?
 - What you like most about the outdoors?
 - Your understanding of our policy that campers (including leadership participants) cannot have cell phones at camp.
 - Leadership experience, **this past year**, within and outside of camp that is relevant to the program? (eg. School and community.)
 - Your 2nd & 3rd choices (eg. If I don't get into W-LIT, I'm willing to do LIT-1, or if I don't get into the July CSD session, I'd be willing to be in the August CSD session, or I'd be willing to do Sr. Trip if I don't get into CSD...)
- Where do you see yourself in 5 years? What goals would you set for yourself to get to this place?

Send your completed applications to:

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Deadline for applications is 5:00pm on October 24, 2011

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Space is limited, and based on the number of applications, a selection process may be necessary.
- This Leadership Application Form must be completed by the applicant interested in either CSD, W-CSD, LIT, or W-LIT
- **Deadline for applications is 5:00pm on Monday, October 24th, 2011.** Applications received after the deadline reduce one's competitiveness in being accepted into a leadership program and risk space being unavailable
- Previous camp experience, recent camp evaluations, suitability to the program, and the evaluation of this application will be considered during the acceptance process.
- For CSD or W-CSD applications, priority may be given to those who have successfully completed Wilderness Canoe Trip followed by those who have successfully completed Challenge & Adventure.
- For LIT or W-LIT applications, priority may be given to those who have successfully completed our CSD course.
- Campers turning 16 years of age in 2011 are eligible to apply for all leadership programs.
- **Notice of acceptance will be given the week of October 31st, 2011**
- Accepting means completing a Registration Form and paying a \$600? deposit to reserve one's placement.
- **Deadline for accepting is 5:00pm on Friday, November 25th, 2011** (or you risk losing your acceptance).
- Those individuals who are not accepted may register for the Wilderness Canoe Trip, or Challenge and Adventure programs. These individuals may also be automatically placed on a CSD/LIT waiting list.
- Postdated payments are required as per the registration form for Feb 29th, 2012 and April 30th, 2012

The leadership courses represent a large step for campers. These courses are designed to challenge participants, develop their skills, and prepare them for work as future staff. As participants develop they will take on responsibilities and aspire to be regarded as leaders at camp. It's our commitment to provide the best possible experience for our leadership participants.

CSD/W-CSD (Counsellor Skills Development/Wilderness Counsellor Skills Development) – 15-16 year olds

This program is designed to build confidence and motivate the participants in gaining the hard skills and discipline needed to become effective camp counsellors. This is accomplished by offering Bronze Medallion or Bronze Cross certification for CSD candidates, and ORCA Tripping 1 qualifications for W-CSD candidates. Included in both programs are First Aid certification, and training in our skill building activities including sailing, windsurfing, canoeing, kayaking, eco-skills, archery, initiatives, ropes and more. Participants will also experience the group dynamics needed for achieving common goals and model staff roles within a camp environment. Time will also be made for recreational and coordinated programming with other leadership programs. In addition, the groups will enhance their tripping skills and participate in a canoe trip in Algonquin Park.

LIT/W-LIT (Leader in Training/Wilderness Leader in Training) – 16-17 year olds

LIT summer is regarded as the pinnacle of a camping career. Participants enhance their knowledge of group dynamics, safety management, communications, decision-making, camper and self-evaluation, counselling and instructing in a supportive team environment. The early part of the program will focus on soft skills related to programming and child care before putting these skills into action within and outside of the camp.

The LIT groups will plan, pack and participate in their own five-day canoe trip. The W-LIT group will participate in a ten-day canoe trip. Participants will be given the opportunity to be leader-of-the-day during trip. Tripping is an important part of Camp Kawartha and a reflection of our commitment to provide exposure to nature.

All successful LIT and W-LIT participants will be invited to work as volunteer counsellors during Session N (Nature Camp, Aug 26-Aug 29, 2012). This will give the applicants a valuable chance to use the skills they have acquired. Most session N volunteers use these volunteer hours to meet their high school graduation requirements.

<p>Our Leadership programs satisfy the requirements for the Expedition and Residential Project of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.</p>
