# Kid City Summer Camp Counselor-in-Training Application

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#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:			
Date of Birth :// Gender:			
Address:			
City:	State:		
Zip Code: Phone:			
Parent/Guardian Name:			
Work/Cell Phone: En	nail:		
How did you hear about the program?			
Have you been a CIT at Kid City before? Y	N If yes, when?		

# **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Fill out all Personal and Education Information.
- 2. Answer all General Questions.
- 3. Attach an essay response to one of the topics given in this application.
- 4. You need two recommendations to be considered for the CIT program. There are two recommendation forms in this application packet. One recommender must be a current or former teacher. The other recommender must be someone who knows you through involvement in your community, e.g. a coach, someone you volunteer for, a mentor, someone from church, or someone you have worked for. Relatives are not to be recommenders.
- Submit the completed application, recommendations, and essay by April 8, 2023 by email or fax to:

#### august.mugele@bloomington.in.gov 812-349-3785

# **EDUCATION INFORMATION**

Current	School	
Current	SCH001.	

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Classes:

Additional School Activities:

# **GENERAL QUESTIONS**

In what types of recreational activities and sports do you participate?

What qualities do you think a good counselor should have?

Why do you want to be a CIT? Include the specific skills you would like to gain from being a CIT and what goals being a CIT can help you reach.

What do you feel you can contribute to the CIT program?

What experiences have you had working with others (i.e. babysitting, community service, sports teams, Scouting, etc.)?

Is there anything else you feel it is important for us to know about you?

### ESSAY TOPICS

Write an essay response to one of the two topics listed below. In the heading of your essay, please let us know which topic you are addressing. Your essay should consist of 500-750 thoughtful words.

Topic 1: Does any specific attribute, quality, or skill distinguish you from everyone else? How did you develop this attribute?

Topic 2: What are the most important extracurricular or community activities that you have participated in? What made you join these activities?

By signing below I am affirming that the responses in this application are all true and all contents are original thoughts from the applicant.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

# Kid City Summer Camp Counselor-in-Training Recommendation

### **RECOMMENDATION INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Please fully answer all questions about the applicant that you feel able to answer based on your relationship with the applicant on a separate piece of paper or feel free to articulate your responses to these questions in the form of a letter.
- 2. Please attach your answers or letter to this signed form.
- 3. You will return the recommendation to the applicant who will submit the recommendation along with the other application materials.

#### Recommender's Name:

Applicant's Name:

- 1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?
- 2. Why do you believe this person would be interested in a CIT program?
- 3. What leadership skills and experience does this applicant possess?
- 4. How does the applicant relate to his/her peers?
- 5. How does the applicant interact with authority figures and/or supervisors?
- 6. Why would the applicant be a good caregiver and role model for young children in a recreation

setting?

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- 2. What would the applicant contribute to the program?

#### Signature of Recommender

Date

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