Important Information

- The Counselor in Training Program started in 2003 and continues to train future counselors today. We offer CIT programs at many of our elementary aged summer camps. Please contact the specific camp you are interested in for more specific details about that camp's CIT program.
- Over the years many of our campers have become CIT's and then staff members at our camps.
- In 2020, the Counselor in Training Program will offer two sessions between July 6 and August 21, 2020.
- All enrolled CIT's will receive two Tshirts that must be worn each day, and a certificate of achievement.
- CIT's should come to camp dressed in comfortable, appropriate clothing including sneakers and socks. CIT's should bring a bathing suit, towel, water bottle, snack, and lunch from home each day.
- MASTER CARD or VISA accepted.
- For information about scholarships, please call (617) 796-1500

2020 Counselor In Training Programs



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Location and Facilities:

CIT programs are offered at several of our day camps. Each camp offers something slightly different. Camps include:

Albemarle Acres at the Franklin School 125 Derby St, Newton, MA 02465

Auburndale Station at the Williams School 141 Grove St, Newton, MA 02466

Centre Acres at the Newton Centre Hut 69 Tyler Terrace, Newton, MA 02459

T-ville Trails at the Bowen School 280 Cypress St, Newton, MA 02459

Who can be a CIT?

CIT's are boys and girls who are 13 to 16 years old and will be entering $8^{th} - 11^{th}$ grade in the Fall. CIT's feel they are too old to be a camper but not yet old enough or experienced enough to become a counselor. CIT's work with campers that are 5 – 11 years old.

What does a CIT do?

First Year CIT's participate in a 2 week training session to develop their camp counselor skills. CIT's will learn about behavior management, child development, leadership styles, camper safety, activity planning and more. CIT's that sign up for the Additional Week will continue to develop their camp counselor skills.

Returning CIT's participate in a 3 week training session and will work with the campers to further develop their skills.

Daily meetings and training sessions with the CIT Director will help CIT's learn about becoming a camp counselor and give CIT's the opportunity to ask questions and share experiences with their peers.

Advantages of Being a CIT:

- Gain experience and have fun working with children
- Gain leadership & activity planning skills
- Gain valuable work experience
- Personal development
- Explore future career possibilities
- Opportunity for future employment at camp as a paid counselor

Dates and Times:

The Counselor in Training Program will run from July 6 - August 21, 2020. Registration begins the Wednesday after the Camp Fair for Newton residents and March 1 for non residents, and continues until the program fills. First Year CIT's may sign up for 1 session per camp. Returning CIT's may sign up for 1 or both sessions. The program runs from 8:30 am - 3:30 pm.

First Year CIT's

Session 1: Session 1 Add A Week: Session 2: Session 2 Add A Week: July 13 – July 24 July 27 – July 31 August 3 – August 14 August 17 –August 21

Returning CIT's

Session 1:July 6Session 1 Add A Week:July 27Session 2:July 27Session 2 Add A Week:August

July 6 – July 24 July 27 – July 31 July 27 – August 14 August 17 –August 21

Cost of the Program:

Residents \$320.00 per session Non Residents \$350.00 per session Add A Week \$100.00

A \$60.00 non refundable deposit per session must be submitted with the registration. Final payments and paperwork are due May 15. A \$25.00 late fee will be assessed for late registrations, paperwork and payments.

Field Trips and Special Events:

CIT's will help run special events and help the campers participate in special events while at camp to gain first hand experience in planning these events. CIT's will assist camp staff on field trips when they are offered.

CIT's will learn about policies and procedures for special events and field trips in a training session with the CIT Director.

Staff:

The strength of the program lies in our qualified, enthusiastic, caring and responsible camp staff. Staff provide the skills and energy needed to ensure the success and enjoyment of each person at camp. Many former campers return year after year to become CIT's and Counselors. Staff are trained in First Aid and CPR. The staff and the program meet the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Camping standards and the Newton Health Department licenses the program.

