

2018 Arboretum Summer Day Camps Counselor-in-Training

Job Description

Day Camp CITs will share skills, imagination, creativity, and passion for nature while being a role model to the younger campers. CITs will assist Day Camp program staff in providing a safe, supportive and exciting experience for all participants, as well as helping out with set-up and clean-up duties.

Qualifications:

Applicants must:

- Be at least 12 years old as of May 1, 2018
- Demonstrate the ability to follow directions and work well with others
- Love nature exploration and being out-of-doors in all types of weather
- Enjoy working with younger kids
- Show a positive attitude
- Be willing to contribute ideas and work on many different projects

Responsibilities and expectations:

CITs will be expected to:

- Create a welcoming environment by building relationships with campers
- Assist camp leaders to manage groups of campers in positive ways
- Model appropriate behavior to promote a safe camp environment for all
- Readily participate and show enthusiasm and a great attitude during all activities
- Lead games and other activities during transition times
- Assist camp leaders in daily set-up and clean-up
- Take photographs of campers and camp activities
- Be an Arboretum Ambassador and demonstrate professionalism to all visitors
- Refrain from any device usage during camp times

Commitment:

The Day Camp CIT program is very flexible, and many opportunities are available to fit families' busy summer schedules. In an effort to provide a consistent experience for campers, Day Camp CITs are asked to sign up for a week (M-Th) at a time. There are half day camp offerings from 9-noon and 1-4pm each week, as well as a full day options with a lunch time in between. "Friday Favorites" are one day mini-camps that run from 9-noon, and are a one day commitment only.

CITs will be expected to arrive $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before children arrive to help set up the day's activities and will be expected to stay $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after children are scheduled to leave to help with clean-up. Please refer to the Day Camp webpage <http://www.arboretum.umn.edu/DayCamp.aspx> for descriptions, times and dates for all camps. Once successful applicants are chosen, CITs will submit the dates and camps that match their schedules and interests, and from there the program coordinator will put a master schedule together.

Questions:

Please call or email Malia Brandt for more information: leck0012@umn.edu or 612-301-1946.

Thanks for your interest in becoming a Day Camp CIT!