

How To Become A Junior Counselor Applicant

I can remember the thrill of leading campers in riflery, on hikes, and most of all in the prayer of salvation. I remember the great friendships that were built with other Junior Councilors (JC's). I also remember long hours of lifeguard and JC training, and some JC's not making it through all of the weeks of camp. Being a JC is not for everyone. However, for those willing to give themselves to the ministry of camp, it is one of the most rewarding experiences of a lifetime!

(D. Kinkade)

If you think it's for you, you need to know a few things first:

1. A new team is selected each year - based on the application and reference forms.
2. Being accepted for JC Training does not guarantee becoming a Junior Counselor.
3. This is a spiritually taxing endeavor and requires raising prayer and financial support.
4. The selection is made by the Camp Committee.

If you still want to proceed, great! Now do the following:

1. Read the Job Description carefully.
2. Go to www.ohiobrigadecamp.org, click on "Registration", and go to JC Registration to Apply.
If you don't have access to the web, call for a hard copy of the application.
3. **Distribute the three (3) Reference forms*** as follows -
 - one to your church pastor
 - one to a Brigade leader or youth group leader
 - one to a teacher, coach, or employer

Have them fill out the reference form online. The link you should give your references is: <http://ohiobrigadecamp.org/index.php/junior-counselor-reference>. If they do not have internet access, print a hard copy from "Registration Forms" and give it to them right away.

*** Instruct your references to fill out and submit their form right away.**

When the Camp Committee gets all of your forms back, they will make a decision and inform you of their decision by letter, email, or phone. If you have any questions, contact Dale Kinkade at 330-898-2137

In the event that you are not selected for Junior Counselor Training, you can transfer to one of the Battalion skill areas or Service Crew.

Whatever the outcome, pray that the Lord's team is selected for this great opportunity

Junior Counselor Job Description

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. A born again Bible believing Christian who demonstrates Christian character and has potential leadership ability.
2. Minimum age - 15 years (14 years in limited situations)
3. Be familiar with the Brigade programs at Stony Glen Camp and/or within the local church.

RESPONSIBLE TO: The Camp Director and/or the Program Director

RESPONSIBILITIES BEFORE AND DURING TRAINING:

1. Complete all forms and applications.
2. Complete all study and memorization assignments.
3. Raise a prayer and support team from a combination of church, friends, and family.
4. Work as part of a group in various situations that simulate cabin responsibilities.
5. Learn a Stockade craft in preparation for teaching.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Guide each camper in spiritual decisions and growth.
2. Enforce safety and health regulations.
3. Guide each camper in participation in all camp activities.
4. Assist with program activities, working closely with the Program Director and senior leaders.
5. Work closely with other Junior Counselors to develop a "team spirit", including a week of JC training (June 10-16).
6. Develop an overview of Brigade camp philosophy and leadership.
7. If you are NOT already Lifeguard certified, you will be expected to attempt Lifeguard, CPR and First Aid certification as your skills allow, during June 7-9 at Stony Glen.

Note: If at any time during camp, the camp leadership determines a candidate is unable to become or continue as a Junior Counselor, two options are reserved:

1. The candidate will serve on the camp Service Crew until it is determined that he is ready for the service of Junior Counselor.
2. It may be decided that the best option is to return home.

Go to www.ohiobrigadecamp.org "Registration" for forms and info.