



2026 READINGTON RECREATION

SUMMER CAMP

COUNSELOR IN TRAINING (CIT)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Counselor In Training (CIT) program is open to anyone entering 9th and 10th grade. The CIT program provides training for future camp counselors. Participants who successfully complete the CIT program receive a certificate and can be eligible for community service hours. CIT's may be asked to volunteer for a portion or the rest of the current camp program. CIT's are encouraged to apply for a position in the future and are given preference. However, completion of the CIT program does not guarantee employment.

The CIT program will consist of a combination of classroom style training and discussion, team building activities, and camp counseling. The goal of the program is to help CITs develop leadership skills, safety skills, learn about child development and camp's role in childhood, and become a positive role model. CITs will be assigned an experienced counselor as a mentor throughout the week.

DATES / TIMES / LOCATIONS

The CIT program will be conducted June 22 – July 26, 2026 from 8:30am to 3:00pm each day. CITs are required to attend all five days for the entire day. The program will be held at Summer Road Park.

SELECTION

Participants in the CIT program are selected through an application and interview process. Please refer to the application for the deadline to apply. CIT positions are limited and the number of positions may vary year to year.

Upon selection, CIT's will be required to complete their registration on the Readington Recreation website and submit the program registration fee.

CIT RESPONSIBILITIES WITH CAMPERS

A CIT will be subject to the same code of conduct and policies as regular program and camp staff. Under the supervision of a head counselor, CITs will:

- Recognize that as a CIT they are a role model to younger campers
- Make the camp a fun and safe place
- Help provide a safe and supportive atmosphere for all participants
- Help participants resolve conflicts
- Assist camp staff with organization and implementation of camp activities
- Maintain a positive and professional attitude at all times

QUESTIONS

Please email all questions to Dina Fornataro, Assistant Recreation Director, at asstrecdirector@readingtontwp-nj.org.