DISAPPOINTING NEWS

We have a limited number of spaces for Campers-In-Training. This is based on a variety of factors such as group reservations for campsites, transportation availability, and Coniston adopt-a-cabin spaces.

Every teenager has great characteristics. Every applicant has wonderful supporters. However, like any highly selective job, college, or award there are limited available spaces.

If we could grade performance & applications on an academic scale, and everyone received an `A,' we still could not take every applicant.



FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

We highly encourage anybody who has been part of the camp community to apply for a position on staff once they turn 18. Being a CIT or LIT is not a requirement in order to have a whole and fulfilling camp experience. Below are examples of members of the Camp community who did not have what is widely considered to be a "conventional" camp journey.

OTHER FAQs...

CAN MY CHILD BE A CIT NEXT YEAR?

No. This program is designed for 16-year-olds. If your child applied but was too young, then he/she may be a camper again, and then yes, they may reapply next October.

CAN MY CHILD BE ON STAFF WITHOUT

BEING A CIT? Yes. In a couple of years when your child is in college and over the age of 18, they can apply and interview. Current employment information will be on our website when that time comes. In the years between camper and staff member, its best if your child builds their experiences with employment that shows maturity and the ability to work with children.

WHAT IS LIT? Leader-In-Training is a 9-week summer staff position for 17-years-olds who have successfully completed the CIT program. LIT staff are given additional, structured, on the job transitional training for their first year as staff members. They work in all areas of Camp Coniston: kitchen, office, program and cabin staff. Only CITs from the prior year are eligible in this competitive process.

Note: Non US Citizens must be 18 or older to attain a work visa and can not be accepted for LIT as a minor.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR **PARENTS** WHOSE CHILD APPLIED FOR THE **CIT PROGRAM**

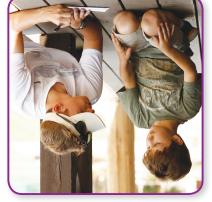
Now that we have your campers CIT application, we want to prepare parents with the information they need to help support them as everyone waits for a notification in mid to late November.



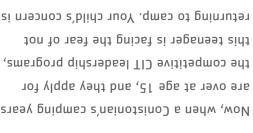
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aspects of the program for all 4 weeks. IIs must be able to participate in all

some things to keep in mind:

EXCITING NEWS

If your camper gets accepted, there are

- boundaries, and counselor techniques. camper safety issues, homesickness, to think about and frequently discuss CIT Directors will challenge your child
- .ylpnibrocca schedule and manage their time responsibility to follow their individual bne ymonotue to tol e eved zTD
- high expectations for their behavior. alongside staff members and we have campers. They are in leadership roles is much different than that of the other Their daily routine in this co-ed program are not traditional campers anymore. It is important to remember that CITs

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positively role modeling for youth. building while working with and meət bne pnirotnəm roləsnuos qmes ieadership program focused on notsino) Assw-4 leisaqs e si TI)

- campers. cabin where they role model for current Coniston program areas and adopt a ni doest bne wobede lliw blido ruoY
- .certain amount of fitness and strength. Aid Certification Training which require a American Red Cross Lifeguard/CPR/First include wilderness experiences and Both West & East Coast programs
- desert hiking in the Grand Canyon! exciting excursions for this group is traveling in Utah/Arizona, one of the being at Coniston & flying west. While West Coast CITs share time between
- InotenidseW Mountains. This group hikes Mt. adventure, and camping in the White for 3-weeks with 1-week of hiking, East Coast CITs are based at Coniston
- essential in our future staff members. responsibility & independence, which is We are developing and encouraging