



Camp Sojourner  
Girls' Leadership Camp

## JUNIOR COUNSELOR APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Best phone number to reach you: \_\_\_\_\_

Best email address to reach you: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Job Description**

Junior counselors play an important role at camp, working with other youth and adults as part of a team to care for and supervise younger campers, lead camp programs, and keep things at camp running smoothly. A typical day at camp involves waking up with your cabin group, helping campers get dressed and ready for the day, sharing meals in the dining hall, leading or participating in activities such as nature hikes, swimming, and arts classes, being part of workshops and conversations with other junior counselors, planning and leading evening programs (for example, you may volunteer to be the emcee of game show night), helping put campers to bed, and then relaxing around a campfire or having an ice cream social. Junior counselors sleep in a camper cabin with nine younger campers and two adult staff.

### **Qualifications**

Junior counselors must be at least 15 years old and have experience working with younger children. Ideally, junior counselors will have previous experience in a camp environment, though exceptions can be made if an applicant demonstrates significant maturity and enthusiasm. All junior counselors must be mature and responsible, so that they can be counted upon to be supportive and encouraging with younger campers, to act as positive role models, and to follow through on their commitments. Junior counselors should also be open-minded, flexible, excited to learn new things, and interested in being part of a diverse community.

### **Questions**

Please answer the questions below as thoughtfully as possible, and attach additional paper if necessary.

1. Why are you interested in being part of Girls' Leadership Camp?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What camp experience do you have?

3. What experience do you have working with children?
  
4. What other work or volunteer experience do you have?
  
5. What other club or activities are you a part of? What do you like to do with your spare time?
  
6. How well do you work as part of a team? Please give at least one example.
  
7. What do you hope you would learn by working at Camp Sojourner?
  
8. What strengths do you have to bring to Camp Sojourner?
  
9. What is one weakness you have, or an area for future growth?
  
10. How would your friends describe you?

**References**

List the names and contact information for two adults, **other than relatives**, who can comment on your personal character and abilities.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates the person has known you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates the person has known you: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email (if available): \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you would like for us to know about you?

*I testify to the truth of this application and authorize investigation of all statements herein.*

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your interest in participating in Camp Sojourner, Girls' Leadership Camp! We will contact you promptly in order to let you know that we have received your application, and to schedule an interview if appropriate.

If you have any questions while completing this application or any other forms, please call the camp office or email us: (215) 951-0330 x2180, [info@girlsleadershipcamp.org](mailto:info@girlsleadershipcamp.org).

***Please note, a completed camper application packet must be submitted in addition to this application before you can be offered a summer position. You do not need to complete the "Camper Letter," but all other parts of the camper application packet must be completed.***

We look forward to hearing from you!