



## **Counselor in Training Volunteer Program Frequently Asked Questions**

**What does a Counselor in Training Volunteer do?** CIT's will assist the Summer Camp Staff in monitoring groups of children ages 5 to 12. CIT's help lead craft activities, assist with set-up and clean-up, supervise games, and facilitate other fun camp activities.

**Do CIT's get to work directly with animals?** Summer Camp includes live animal presentations. CIT's may have the same level of contact with the animals that campers enjoy. All animals are handled by trained Owl's Hill Staff.

**How old do I need to be?** CIT's must be 12-17 years of age on or before June 1, 2018 to be eligible.

**Why do you charge a fee for the CIT program?** The fee provides orientation and training materials, name badge, water bottle, daily snacks and Friday lunch.

**I am not able to attend the orientation. Can I do a make-up training?** Attending orientation, including training with fellow CIT's is essential to being a well prepared volunteer. Orientation is carefully planned for all required information and provide the best experience possible. We are not able to offer make-up trainings and cannot make exceptions.

**What are the benefits to volunteering?** CIT's experience the outdoors, learn to share with others about the natural world and learn about wildlife careers. Volunteering builds character and leadership skills. It adds volunteer service to their resume and collage applications.

**What should CIT's bring with them on their first volunteer day?** This is an outdoor, rain or shine camp. Wear appropriate clothing and closed-toe footwear, a watch to tell time, bring an extra reusable water bottle and a non-microwavable lunch Monday-Thursday. Bring your own sunscreen and bug spray. Be prepared with a rain jacket for inclement weather. A backpack is perfect for all belongings. Unnecessary personal belongings should be left at home or stored in a locked vehicle trunk.

### **CIT Dates to Remember**

CIT Orientation and Training on May 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Orientation fee of \$25 is due- cash or check only

### **Summer Camp Dates**

June 4-29 & July 9-27, 2018

**Thank you for supporting Owl's Hill Nature Sanctuary through our Counselor in Training Program!**

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