

Counselor in Training CIT Application Summer 2026

Program Overview:

Our Counselor-In-Training program combines the fun of camp with leadership and on-the-job training. The CIT program is a unique opportunity for motivated young people to develop the necessary skills to be role models in our camp community. CIT campers stay for two weeks, learning the ropes of living and serving at CSM. The first week is focused on creating successful peer relationships, developing skills that are needed to work in our camp environment, and discovering personal gifts and strengths. During week two, CIT campers will have the opportunity to use their strengths in a cabin, at day camp, or in the kitchen, gaining hands-on experience and a glimpse into being a CSM staff member.

To Apply:

Complete this Counselor in Training (CIT) Application by December 31, 2025. Letter of Recommendation forms should be mailed or scanned/emailed by the person completing the form. Camp staff will review this application, and campers will be registered in a CIT session. Campers will be notified of their session through the mail by February 1, 2026.

Summer 2026 Sessions:

CIT 1 – June 28-July 10 (B/C Weeks)
CIT 2 – July 5-18 (C/D Weeks)
CIT 3 – July 12-24 (D/E Weeks)
CIT 4 – July 19-August 1 (E/F Weeks)
CIT 5 – July 26-August 7 (F/G Weeks)
CIT 6 – August 2-15 (G/H Weeks)
CIT 7 – August 9-21 (H/I Weeks)

*All campers will go home in between their 2-week session.

Applicant must either:

- Be at least 16 years old by June 28, 2026 (regardless of grade)

Cost and Financial Aid

TWO-WEEK SESSION \$975

Camp Stella Maris works hard to allow all individuals to attend summer camp. If the cost of the CIT program is difficult for your family, please request a Campership Application after completing the CIT Application Process.

* Required

1. Camper's (applicant's) full name *

2. Camper's (applicant's) preferred name *

3. Camper's (applicant's) Birthdate & age as of June 28, 2026 *

4. Camper's (applicant's) home address (street, city, state, zip) *

5. Camper (applicant) Phone number *

6. Camper's (applicant's) email address *

7. Parent/Guardian's name, phone number and email *

8. What gender do you identify as? *

- ☐ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Genderqueer/Non-binary

9. Camper (applicant) pronouns *

10. T-shirt size *

- ☐ XS
- ☐ S
- ☐ M
- ☐ L
- ☐ XL
- ☐ XXL

11. Why are you interested in participating in the CSM Counselor in Training (CIT) program? *

12. What is your definition of community? In what ways do you contribute to your definition of community? *

13. Describe a challenge in your life within the last year and how you overcame it. *

14. Think of someone you look up to, what leadership qualities do they display? Why do you think these qualities are important? Which of these qualities resonate with you and why? *

15. If your words or actions hurt someone else, what would you do after learning how it impacted that person? *

16. The CIT Program is an opportunity for campers to develop the skills needed to work and live at CSM. This includes working in the kitchen, at day camp, or in a cabin. What skills do you think are needed in each of these areas? Which of those skills do you feel is your strongest and which is a skill you would like to get better at? *

17. Camp staff will review this application and campers will be registered in a CIT session. Campers will be notified of their session by February 1, 2026. Please indicate your preference for the session you prefer to attend. *

	1st choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	Not available
CIT 1 (B/C June 28 - July 10)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
CIT 2 (C/D July 5 - 18)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
CIT 3 (D/E July 12 - 24)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
CIT 4 (E/F July 19 - Aug 1)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
CIT 5 (F/G July 26 - Aug 7)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
CIT 6 (G/H Aug 2 - 15)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
CIT 7 (H/I Aug 9 - 21)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

18. By typing my name below, I agree that the information I have provided in this application is true, correct, and complete. If accepted, any misstatement or omission on this application may result in my dismissal from the CIT Program. *

19. Date of application *

