



**CAMP COUNSELOR**

**EPIC**  
**ADVENTURE**

SUMMER DAY CAMP

**2024 APPLICATION OVERVIEW**

**SUBMIT APPLICATIONS ONLINE**

## **Camp Overview:**

Epic Adventure is a summer day camp based at The Master's School campus in Simsbury, Connecticut. Operated by high-energy leaders and overseen by Valley Community Baptist Church - Simsbury, the camp consists of two programs — one for students currently in Grades 1-4 (July 8-12, 2024), and the other for students in Grades 5-8 (July 15-19, 2024). The Master's School property is beautiful, spanning 75 acres and complete with a gymnasium, dining hall, athletic fields, hiking trails, and adventurous terrain. The camp for Grades 5-8 will also take special day trips to adventure parks on Tuesday and Thursday. Students will learn about the "Epic Journey" God has for their lives as they debrief activities and engage in "team talks" throughout the week.

## **Camp Staff & Counselor Overview:**

The camp staffing structure will include a camp director, program director, and high school camp counselors (age 16+). We are committed to the spiritual, mental, physical, and social growth of all participants and staff leaders. Safety and fun are pivotal to an epic adventure.

Camp counselors will join a leadership development track designed to equip the team with leadership skills, spiritual growth aptitudes, safety protocols, and training activities foundational to their role. Significant to this training and preparation will be an overnight Prep Retreat in Simsbury on Thursday, June 20 (9 a.m.) - Friday, June 21 (5 p.m.).

## **Counselor Pay/Stipends**

Counselors who are 16+ years of age will receive a \$500 stipend for each week of camp. The stipend will be paid at the end of their last week of camp.

## **Apply to be a Camp Counselor:**

Interested applicants should review pre-camp gathering dates, expectations and submit an application online at the following link.

<https://vcbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1231/responses/new>

## Camp Counselor Job Description:

### Dates:

- **Camp Dates: July 8-12 & July 15-19, 2024** (counselors work 8-5 p.m. daily)  
Strong preference is given to counselors who have availability for both weeks, with the elementary week being of first importance (due to size). Counselors who can only work one week should still apply.
- **EA Camp Staff Prep Retreat: Thursday, June 20 (9am) - Friday, June 21 (5pm).** The retreat will be held locally. This is a critical preparation time and attendance is mandatory. Some counselors may need to leave for a period of time to go to unavoidable appointments or commitments. In this case, please communicate plans with the Camp Director in advance so that critical training can be scheduled at the best times for all staff participation.

### Counselor Qualifications:

- Must be an active follower of Jesus and excited to join Him as a fellow worker in His kingdom.
- Must be committed to the mission, vision, and values of Jesus and His church.
- Must demonstrate a servant attitude, be dependable, and willing to carry out tasks when asked.
- Must exhibit strong interpersonal communication skills (with staff, campers, parents).
- Must demonstrate respect for authority and maintain positive support for all decisions made by leadership.
- Must have physical and leadership abilities ideal for leading daily camp activities.
- Must be at least **16 years of age**, as of July 8, 2024. (if not, please contact the Camp Director)
- Must be committed to staff training.

### Responsibilities:

- Bring a high-energy, enthusiastic attitude to promote a fun, positive camp culture.
- Welcome campers, memorize names, and develop fun and appropriate relationships.
- Oversee and supervise a group of campers during all on-site and off-site activities. (co-lead with another counselor.)
- Carry out assigned program roles (ie. perform in skits, share testimonies, lead group activities, setup/teardown, assist wherever needed).
- Lead assigned "team talks" with your team of campers. Training sessions will prepare counselors for their "team talks."
- Ensure all safety and health protocols are followed.
- Protect all confidential information of the campers, staff, and parents.
- Demonstrate personal responsibility by communicating effectively with staff if you cannot make a training session or other counselor commitment.

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## Camp Counselor Prep Checklist

### ASAP

- ☐ Complete EA Camp Staff Application (Online)  
<https://vcbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/1231/responses/new>

*Note:* Please complete application at your earliest convenience. Once your application is complete, our Camp Director will reach out to set up an interview time.

- ☐ Interview with Camp Director

### June

- ☐ **2** – Counselor Meeting & Prep (12-2 p.m. at 3 Mill Pond Lane, Simsbury)
- ☐ **20-21** – Overnight Camp Prep Retreat (Thursday, 9 a.m. - Friday, 5 p.m. at Valley Avon)

### July

- ☐ **7** – Final Camp Prep (12-3 p.m. at The Master's School)
- ☐ **8-12 / Camp #1: Grades 1-4** (Arrive at The Master's School by 8:00 a.m. and stay until 5 p.m. for cleanup/debrief.)
- ☐ **15-19 / Camp #2: Grades 5-8** (Arrive at The Master's School by 8:00 a.m. and stay until 5 p.m. for cleanup/debrief.)