

The Camp Vinson Valley Counselor-In-Training Program is designed to give students 14-15 years of age volunteer and leadership opportunities for both personal development and a chance to one day serve on staff at Camp Vinson Valley. While much of their experience will look and feel very similar to their time as a camper, there will be many chances for them to grow into those traits and values we hope to see in full-time camp staff.

C.I.Ts are asked to maintain all of the program requirements found in our “Parent’s Pack,” and parents are encouraged to remind their C.I.Ts of those basics as they prepare for a summer at Camp Vinson Valley. They can be summarized quickly by saying they are to come to camp prepared each and every day and never behave in such a way that negatively impacts the experience of another person at Camp Vinson Valley.

C.I.Ts are also given the chance to grow into the role models we hope our counselors to be for the campers. Their participation in the program will be dependent on their ability to learn those personal responsibilities and live into the calling to speak with care and compassion, encourage the daily experience of the campers, and support the operation of the camp day. No behavior that becomes bullying or abusive to any other member of our camp community will be tolerated and could result in their dismissal from the program.

The first three weeks of the summer will be a crash course in these principles and job requirements. We refer to these weeks as their “training period,” and strongly encourage their attendance during that time. We reserve the right to ask any applying C.I.T to step away from the program if we feel they are unable to live into the characteristics we expect for a successful summer camp program. That being said, every effort will be made to communicate and work with any C.I.T and their parents if any concerns arise in their behavior.

While there is no minimum number of “working days” required, we do ask that all C.I.Ts prepare to spend the full summer with us at camp. We will, however, make every effort to accommodate school/church trips, practice schedules, and personal vacations that come up during the summer. Please reach out with any questions regarding the camp schedule.

The C.I.T Program does incur a cost to families to facilitate any special field trips and materials for the program. Parents are asked to pay \$150 per week for each of the first three weeks of their C.I.T’s attendance to the program, coming to a total of \$450 for the summer. After those fees are paid that there is no cost for C.I.Ts.

Before the camp season begins, we will hold an orientation meeting for all C.I.Ts and their families. Until then, if you have any questions about the program, please feel free to get in touch at camp@byronheritage.org or 478-956-5717.

CAMP VINSON VALLEY

An outreach ministry of
Byron Heritage Church

2026

CAMP VINSON VALLEY Counselor-In-Training APPLICATION

DATES:

June 1 - July 31

Byron Heritage Church

P. O. Box 6

Byron, GA 31008

(478) 956-5717

Office@byronheritage.org

We want to do our best to accommodate the busy schedules of our C.I.Ts and Staff. If you have scheduled events, trips, or other conflicts with our Camp Schedule we ask that you include those with your application.

Parent Information

Mother's Name: _____

Mother's Work Number _____

Mother's Cell-Phone Number _____

Fathers Name _____

Fathers Work Number _____

Fathers Cell-Phone Number _____

Primary Parent Email address _____

Emergency Contact _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

Relationship to C.I.T _____

**List authorized person(s) other than parents who will pick up CIT from camp:
All adults picking up a camper or C.I.T may be asked to show ID.**

Insurance Information

Primary: Company _____ Policy Number _____

Secondary: Company _____ Policy Number _____

Currently on Medication? YES _____ NO _____ If so, what? _____

Dietary or activity related conditions or restrictions:

Medical History and Information

Camp Activities are physically demanding. We want to ensure the safety of everyone on campus during the camp day, and to do so we must ask for some general information about your C.I.Ts physical capability and medical history.

Are there any health reasons which would prevent your C.I.T from participating in any Camp Activities? Y N
If yes, please describe:

Does your C.I.T have allergies or any type of dietary restrictions? Y N
If yes, please describe:

Does your C.I.T have any current physical conditions or psychological concerns requiring medication, treatment, or special restrictions or considerations while at camp? (for example: asthma, heart trouble, diabetes, ADD, ADHD, etc.) Y N
If yes, please describe:

MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

As a parent/guardian of the counselor in training (CIT), I authorize the Byron Heritage Church staff and volunteer staff to administer first aid or take the CIT to a physician for treatment. I, _____, give my permission to the Byron Heritage Church Camp Director or to other staff members to call a doctor for medical or surgical care for the CIT _____. Should an emergency arise, I understand that a conscientious effort will be made to locate the parents or emergency contacts of the CIT before any action will be taken, but if it is not possible to locate the parents or emergency contacts, I understand that this expense will be accepted by the parent/guardian.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date _____

Camp Vinson Valley may use pictures of my child in their promotional materials, including both printed and electronic media.
Circle one: Yes No

The cost of the C.I.T Program is **\$150.00 per week for the first (3) Weeks of Camp**, coming to a **total of \$450.00 for the summer**. The fee ensures that your child's spot is saved within the program, as well as covering the cost of field trips over the summer and providing necessary supplies for their Camp Activities.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date _____



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I, _____ acknowledge that I have been informed that this program is not a licensed childcare facility. I also understand this program is not required to be licensed by the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning and this program is exempt from state licensure requirements.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date