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# Camp Kawartha

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## Leadership Application 2017

For CSD, W-CSD, and LIT, W-LIT courses

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate (m/d/yy): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Age as of July 1/17: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Indicate Choices  
for each column  
(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>...)**

\_\_\_\_\_ July Session: (June 30 – July 26, 2017)

\_\_\_ CSD

\_\_\_ WCSD

\_\_\_\_\_ Aug. Sessions: (July 30 – Aug 25, 2017)

\_\_\_ LIT

\_\_\_ WLIT

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# prior years at Camp Kawartha (summer camp): \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach wallet size photo:

### What have you done?

2-week Regular Overnight Camp	
3-week Pre-Leadership Camp	
Senior Wilderness Canoe Trip	
Challenge and Adventure	
CSD (Counsellor Skills Development)	
Bronze Medallion	
Bronze Cross	

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Archery	
Canoeing	
Kayaking	
Sailing	
Windsurf	

List anything else we should know:

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### Give your response to the following questions on a separate piece of paper (typed or neatly printed):

- Write a one page letter explaining:
    - Why you want to join this program? Why you would make a good candidate? How you will contribute to the program?
    - The goals you wish to accomplish through this program? Areas of personal growth you want to work on?
    - What qualities do you respect most in other people? Give an example based on a role model you've had (ie. Could be a former counselor, teacher, family member, etc...)
    - What is your greatest strength?...weakness?
    - What you like most about the outdoors?
    - Your understanding of our policy that campers (including leadership participants) cannot have cell phones at camp.
    - Leadership experience **this past year** within and outside of camp that helped prepare you to be a leadership candidate?
  - If you ruled the world, what changes would you make?
  - What keeps you from being at your best?
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**Send your completed applications to:**

Attention: Adam Strasberg, Summer Camp Director, [adam@campkawartha.ca](mailto:adam@campkawartha.ca)  
or by fax at 705-652-1500

### **IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- **This Leadership Application Form must be completed by the applicant interested in either CSD, W-CSD, LIT, or W-LIT**
  - **Previous camp experience, recent camp evaluations, suitability to the program, and the evaluation of this application will be considered during the acceptance process.**
  - **Campers turning 15 and 16 years of age in 2017 are eligible to apply for the CSD/ W-CSD leadership programs.**
  - **Campers turning 16 and 17 years of age in 2017 are eligible to apply for the LIT/WLIT leadership programs.**
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The leadership courses represent a large step for campers. These courses are designed to challenge participants, develop their skills, and prepare them for work as future staff. As participants develop they will take on responsibilities and aspire to be regarded as leaders at camp. It's our commitment to provide the best possible experience for our leadership participants.

### **CSD/W-CSD (Counsellor Skills Development/Wilderness Counsellor Skills Development) – 15-16 year olds**

This program is designed to build confidence and motivate the participants in gaining the hard skills and discipline needed to become effective camp counsellors. This is accomplished by offering Bronze Medallion or Bronze Cross swimming qualifications for CSD candidates, and ORCA Tripping 1 and Standard First Aid qualifications for W-CSD candidates. Included in both programs is training in our skill building activities including sailing, windsurfing, canoeing, kayaking, eco-skills, archery, initiatives, ropes and more. Participants will also experience the group dynamics needed for achieving common goals and model staff roles within a camp environment. Time will also be made for recreational and coordinated programming with other leadership programs. In addition, the groups will enhance their tripping skills and participate in a canoe trip in Algonquin Park. The CSDs will go on a 5-day trip, while the WCSDs will go on a 7-day trip, and a second shorter trip to gain qualifications in ORCA Tripping Level 1.

### **LIT/W-LIT (Leader in Training/Wilderness Leader in Training) – 16-17 year olds**

LIT/WLIT summer is regarded as the pinnacle of a camping career. Both programs provide the necessary training to be competitive when applying for counselling positions the following summer. LITs participate in a 5-day canoe trip and a 12-day period of cabin and activity shadowing, while the WLITs participate in a 9-day canoe trip and a 10-day period of cabin and activity shadowing. Throughout each program, participants enhance their knowledge of group dynamics, safety management, communication, decision-making, camper and self-evaluation, counselling and instructing in a supportive team environment. The early part of the program will focus on soft skills related to programming and child care before putting these skills into action within and outside of the camp.

The LIT groups will plan, pack and participate for a canoe trip in either Algonquin or Killarney Provincial Park. Participants will be given the opportunity to be leader-of-the-day during trip. Tripping is an important part of Camp Kawartha and a reflection of our commitment to provide exposure to nature.

All successful LIT and W-LIT participants will be invited to work as volunteer counsellors during Session N (Nature Camp, Aug 27-Aug 30, 2017). This will give the applicants a valuable chance to use the skills they have acquired. Most session N volunteers use these volunteer hours to meet their high school graduation requirements.

<b>Our Leadership programs satisfy the requirements for the Expedition and Residential Project of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award</b>
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