

**DEADLINE:
NOVEMBER 1st 2019**

Camp Rotary

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Dear Rising Ninth Grade Students,

August 2, 2019

Thank you for your interest in our Leader-in-Training program. The Leader-in-Training (LIT) program is an exciting, new adventure for our older campers who would like to remain a camper, yet also be exposed to new challenges and be presented with opportunities to learn and hone their leadership, responsibility, team-building and interpersonal skills. In order to apply for the program you must have completed at least grade 9 by June of 2020.

The overarching goal of the program is to take teenagers who have displayed the prerequisite foundation of strong values, good character and cooperative behavior and teach them to be leaders and role models both at camp and outside of camp. Although one of our hopes is that the program be very fun, we expect that there will be times when it will be hard. We also are confident, however, that the life lessons learned from the program will only help to prepare the LIT for future challenges.

LITs will participate in some programs during the day as regular campers, while other parts of their day will be filled with opportunities to demonstrate leadership through service, by helping out in a variety of areas of camp (program, cabin, office, infirmary, kitchen and maintenance on a rotating basis). A third part of their day will be meeting together as a group to build camaraderie through group activities and lessons. The goal of the program is to give the LIT a wide range of experience that will allow them to develop an appreciation for the entire camp operation and allow them to be a leader in all aspects of the camp.

The LIT program is a three week program that will be limited to 10 girls and 10 boys each session. Session 1 will tentatively run from July 5 - July 25. Session 2 will tentatively run from August 2 - August 22. The LITs will be housed in the LIT camper cabins for their three weeks. Their program will be designed to allow them to continue to participate in several camper programs each day, but also be brought together as a group daily to work on teamwork, role modeling, leadership and program skills. In an effort to help to build a positive group identity, the LITs will be heading out of camp for two field trips to various local attractions.

The cost of the program is one week of camp tuition. The cost of the three week program is tentatively \$775. (not including field trips and registration). You should expect that field trips will cost approximately \$50/week and you will also likely spend about \$25/week at the camp store. All LITs will be provided with a Camp Rotary LIT T-shirt (at no cost) that will identify them to the campers and staff as a Leader in Training.

Although there is no guarantee that successfully completing the LIT program will lead to a CIT position the following summer at camp, being an LIT allows you to develop leadership qualities that are important in a CIT, and this gives the LITs the perfect opportunity to impress the CIT Director with their hard work and positive attitude!

BIG CHANGE: DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1ST!!

As I mentioned, space is limited and there is a competitive application process. If you are interested in applying, you should complete the enclosed application and return it no later than NOVEMBER 1st, 2018. We're hoping to make decisions by mid-November. You will also need to include **two letters of reference**, a copy of your **most recent school report card** (probably your final 8th grade report card) and a **recent photo of yourself**.

BIG CHANGE #2: EMAIL YOUR APPLICATION!!

When you have your packet complete, please forward the entire packet to our LIT Director at the address below. This means that you have to ask your references NOW to give them enough time to get the reference form back to you before October 1st. (TIP...ask your references to return the completed reference to you a week before the October 1st deadline (in case they run late).

You then take the forms that you completed, the completed references that were completed for you, your report card and your photo. Scan all of the documents and then email the scanned documents in one email and send it in, before October 1st to:

camprotaryMALIT@gmail.com

If you are selected to be an LIT, we will allow you to transfer any money that you have paid to be a camper to your LIT account and cancel your camper weeks out, if you so choose. Unlike CIT, there is no restriction regarding being a camper and an LIT in the same summer. So a camper can attend for a week as a camper and then be an LIT or vice versa. (This is different than our CIT program...once someone becomes a CIT, they are ineligible to be a camper).

If you have any questions about the program, please write to me at my home e-mail address above.

Keep smiling!

Rich Cowdell
Director

Please email prior to
November 1, 2019 to:
camprotarymaLIT@gmail.com

Leader-in-Training

Camp Rotary
Summer Season, Year 2020

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Age _____

Address _____

City/State/ _____ Zip Code _____ Country _____

Area Code _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

(Please print clearly because this is our primary method of communication)

Current School Name _____ Grade in September '20 _____

School Address _____

Have you ever attended Camp Rotary? _____ What year(s)? _____

Any other camp(s)? _____ Name(s) _____

Work History

Please list any jobs that you have had in the past (paid or volunteer).

Employer Name and Address	Starting Date	Ending Date	Job Title	Supervisor	Reason For Leaving

Availability:

- Consider me for the first session only. (Tentatively July 5 – July 25, 2020)
- Consider me for the second session only. (Tentatively August 2 – August 22, 2020).
- Consider me for either the first or second session. (BEST CHANCE OF SELECTION)

Please email your completed application form prior to November 1, 2019 to:

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Camp Rotary
LIT Application
Summer Season, Year 2020
Autobiographical Essay

LIT Candidate's Name _____

In an effort to allow the LIT Selection Committee the opportunity to get to know you a little better, we have developed this essay procedure. In this essay, use **PARAGRAPH ONE** to introduce yourself, explain a little about your background....who you are, where you are from, a little about your family and your development up until now. **PARAGRAPH TWO** should explain why you want to be an LIT and what you hope to get out of your time spent as a LIT. Please attach a current photo of yourself (last year several members of our selection team did not recognize applicants by name, but by sight only and suggested that we ask for a photo!).

Use the space below and on the reverse side. If necessary attach any additional sheet of paper.

References, please return your completed reference to the applicant.

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Camp Rotary
LIT Application
Summer Season, Year 2020
Reference Letter

LIT Candidate's Name _____

Name of Reference _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____

Phone _____ How long have you known the candidate? _____

In what capacity? _____

Dear Reference Writer:

Thank you for taking the time to write a brief summary of the qualifications of the above listed candidate. He/she has applied to be a Leader-in-Training at Camp Rotary for the upcoming summer. Our LIT program is very competitive and only the top candidates are chosen. In writing your reference we would especially like to hear about this candidate's strengths and weaknesses. As an LIT, he/she will be expected to demonstrate leadership skills, maturity, teamwork, and a capacity to learn new skills. It is a program that is intensive in nature. Please also indicate if you have any questions or concerns with this candidate supervising young children in a residential setting. Please use the space below and on the opposite side for your response. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

Signature of Reference Writer

Date

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Date

Leader-in-Training

LIT Program Application Checklist (Keep this sheet for your own records):

TASK	DATE
<input type="checkbox"/> Print this whole application out	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Application form completed	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Autobiographical Essay completed	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Reference # 1 completed by Ref # 1	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Reference # 2 completed by Ref # 2	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Current photo	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of most recent report card	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> All scanned, uploaded and forwarded by email to camprotaryMALIT@gmail.com On or before November 1, 2019	_____

Thank you for your application. Whether you are selected or not, we hope to see you again next summer at Camp Rotary!

Keep smiling!

Rich