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CISV Columbus

Junior Counselor Application Process

Eligibility: Male who will be 16 or 17 during the entire Village

Applications due January 10th

Overview

Junior Counselors, known as JCs, assist with running a Village. A JC must be 16 or 17 for the full length of the program. As JCs serve as part of the camp leadership, they apply using the leader form, so this document explains the details of CISV camp leadership with details of how to apply below.

Although our chapter has registered its dissatisfaction with CISV gender binaries, CISV continues to allot JCs on the basis of male and female.

Overview of CISV Leadership

This overview provides details of **leadership** in CISV. ***Junior Counselors play a special role and do not have to be 21 years old.**

Qualifications

The primary qualifications and attributes of leaders considered by the Selection Committee are that the candidate:

- Must be 21 years old prior to travel. ***JCs are 16 or 17.**
 - Is physically and emotionally healthy, and demonstrates self-discipline
 - Makes friends easily and is readily accepted by others
 - Communicates effectively with adults and youth
 - Assumes responsibility and work within a group
 - Has a positive, flexible personality — able to adjust to differences in schedules, activities, cultures, foods, etc.
 - Enjoys playing games, singing, dancing, etc.
 - Accepts others without prejudice, regardless of race, religion, language or culture
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Application Process

1. Complete the [Leader Application Form](#).
 2. Have a teacher complete the [Staff/Leader Confidential Reference Form](#). Send the link to them and ask them to submit their form by January 10th. As this is a general form you should let them know that you are applying to be a Junior Counselor. You may also advise them that it should take about 15 minutes to complete and does not require a formal letter.
 3. Have another adult complete a second [Staff/Leader Confidential Reference Form](#). The same instructions as above apply.
 4. Complete the [Family Commitment Form](#) (this applies to Village delegates and JCs for Villages)
 4. If you have not already, [get a family membership to CISV Columbus](#).
 5. Send a recent picture of the applicant to cisvcolumbus@gmail.com.
 6. **Selection** to this program includes attending:
 - Observation Day** on Monday, January 20th (MLK Day) for “8 Hours of Peace” 9:00am - 5:00pm at Pioneer Electric Cooperative Community Room, 344 W.US Route 36, Piqua OH 45356. We are joining the CISV Midwest Ohio Chapter for this fun and educational day. Register <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/2b41b347-3616-47cd-9327-cb530cf63180>
 - Interview Day** on Sunday, January 26th at Maryland Elementary School in Bexley 43209. Individual time slots will be scheduled during that afternoon once the entire application has been received.
- Please contact Kim Keiser, Chapter President: cisvcolumbus@gmail.com if an applicant cannot attend both the Observation Day and the Interview Day.
- The applicants will be notified via email February 4th.

**If chosen, you will be required to attend both local leadership training and national leadership training (the chapter covers these expenses).

Projected Program Fees and Expenses

FEES = \$1350.00 which includes the \$75.00 1-year family membership (due with application)

Other Expenses:

Airfare

Physical exam by May 1st

Staff gifts

Trading items and cultural night presentation \$50-75

Spending and emergency money (\$250 - \$500)

If selected, **a non-refundable fee** of \$500.00 will be expected by February 12th. This fee will be applied to the total fees due in April.

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact

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