Westminster Day Camp
Counselor/Apprentice Application
June 15-19, 2020 Westminster Presbyterian Church

We appreciate your interest in applying for the Counselor/Apprentice position for 2020 Westminster Day Camp! Individuals who have completed 7th - 12th grades may apply to be a Counselor or Counselor in Training. Those who have completed 6th grade may apply to be an Apprentice.

Positions are as follows:
Counselors – High School Students ($175 honorarium)
Counselors-In-Training (CITs) – 7-12th Grades ($100 honorarium)
Apprentices – 6th Grade students

Day Camp Overview:
Campers, Counselors, and CITs will spend mornings Monday-Thursday at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis and/or “out and about” in the city. In the afternoons on those days, field trips are planned for swimming and outdoor activities and games. A special day trip is planned for Friday. Time commitment for Day Camp staff is 8:00am to 5:00pm. If other arrangements need to be made because of other summer commitments, please reach out to Sonja.

Preferred qualifications for all applicants include: previous experience as a camper and/or counselor, enthusiasm, and a good attitude. Priority will be given to members of families active at Westminster. The need for counselors will be proportional to the number of campers who register, so “talk up” Day Camp to children you know, and we would like to invite all who are qualified!

Please complete the application below and return it no later than Wednesday, April 15. We will make every effort to let you know if you will be a counselor or apprentice by May 1. If you would like more information about Westminster’s Day Camp or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sonja at sonja@wpc-mpls.org

(For ALL EXCEPT Apprentices)
If your application is accepted, you will become a member of the Leadership Team. All members of the Leadership Team are required to attend two training sessions. The first is Sunday, June 7th immediately following worship (plan for 11:00am - 1:00pm). This includes a review of first aid and leadership practices for those returning, and serves as orientation for new leaders. The second is Sunday, June 14th between 11:00am and 1pm at Westminster and will include setting up spaces, as well as an overview of the activities to be experienced during the week. Lunch will be provided at both training sessions.

*Please reserve these dates on your calendar now, so that if your application is approved, you will be available for these trainings.
Name___________________________________________ Age_______ Current Grade_______
Street Address _________________________________ Ph. (_____ ) _________________________
City __________________________ State ___________ Zip ________________
E-mail: ______________________________ Guardian E-mail______________________________

T-Shirt Size (circle one): Youth Lg. Youth XL Adult: XS S M L XL

I would like to apply for the position of (see descriptions below):

___ Counselor: Lead staff member of a Camper Group
___ Counselor-In-Training (C.I.T.): Assist a specific group and may be asked to help in other areas including meals and/or snack prep, leading music/activities on the bus, leading recreation or art, or assisting with shepherding group trips.
___ Apprentice: May be asked to assist in all areas, will have special training and activities.

Have you helped at Day Camp before? If so, which position?
___ Group Counselor
___ Jr. Counselor
___ Logistics/Program Support

In what areas of ministry have you been involved at Westminster?
What experience do you have working with children? What age group do you most like to be around?

In terms of being a Counselor or CIT, what do you think are your strengths? What do you think are your weaknesses? Please give specific examples. For instance, if you feel like you are really good at helping a child that misses their parent but not so great at leading a silly dance, please let us know.

What activities would you feel most comfortable leading in this Day Camp setting (i.e. songs, games, crafts, and/or Bible Study)? For Apprentices: What parts of Day Camp would you feel most comfortable assisting?

Please note: Counselors of the 2nd through 5th grade Camper Groups will be expected to participate in the sleep-over on Thursday, June 18th. If you have a conflict and are unavailable to stay overnight at the church, please explain.