



# camp sonshine

## LIT SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION

(to be completed by LIT after registration)

### Interest Questions

Please answer each of the following questions on a SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, attach it to this document and the code of conduct, and return to the camp office.

1. How would you describe your personality to someone who doesn't know you?
2. What things have you done that involved working with younger children? Please explain.
3. Why do you think being an LIT is a good fit for you? How do you want to grow from your LIT experience?
4. What do you think will be the biggest challenge for you being an LIT this summer?
5. Think for a moment about the best leader you have ever met. This could be a youth leader, teacher, coach, camp counselor, historical figure or any person who leads people. What are some examples of things this person does that make you think he or she is such a good leader?
6. LITs are primarily assigned to assist with K - 4th grade camper groups. Occasionally an LIT may be needed to lead an activity area for the week. How do you feel about leading an activity? What do you think makes an activity great?

### Reference Forms

Two separate reference forms will need to be filled out for you by a teacher, a pastor, youth leader, or someone (except a family member) who knows you personally. Please have them fill out the reference forms and return it to us as soon as possible to help expedite your application process. You can get copies of the reference forms on the Camp Sonshine website.

### Application Agreement

By signing of my name below, I affirm the following:

- I have no conditions that would limit my ability to perform the essentials of the camp routine.
- I understand this is a Christian camp and my behavior must reflect the values of Camp Sonshine.
- I have read and understand all the guidelines in the LIT Conduct Agreement (enclosed in this application packet or available online) and agree to abide by them.
- Once enrolled, I will enter the spirit of Camp Sonshine and follow the guidelines set forth in the LIT program. I will joyfully and willfully serve wherever I am needed and understand my roles could change.
- I have completed this application truthfully and, if applicable, give permission for Camp Sonshine personnel to confer with those filling out the LIT Reference Form in regards to my work performance and personal characteristics or other information that might be beneficial regarding my participation in the LIT program.

LIT Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## LIT Conduct Agreement

**It is an LIT's responsibility to adhere to the following expectations during each session in attendance.**

- Take responsibility for your actions. You alone decide if you will make good or bad choices.
- Fighting will not be tolerated and may result in being sent home from camp and/or dismissal from the program with no tuition refund.
- The use or possession of tobacco, drugs, or alcohol and/or sexual activity/material will be grounds for immediate dismissal with no tuition refund.
- Be aware of and abide by all camp and program rules and procedures. If you are not sure of something, ask. Don't risk getting in trouble. Assume that, until a rule is waived or altered, it is in effect. If you think a rule exists, it probably does.
- Respect the rights and authority of all staff and volunteers. Remember that the staff are responsible for you while you are away from home, and they will do what is needed to make camp safe and enjoyable for everyone. If you get an answer that you do not like from one counselor, don't ask another one hoping to get the answer you want!
- Understand that it is your responsibility to stay with your assigned group or assigned area. We need to know where you are at all times and you must stay in sight of a staff member.
- Agree not to leave your tent, or sleeping area after lights out. Safety is our main concern and you must take the responsibility to stay in your sleeping area at the designated times.
- Understand that everyone is different. Your ideas might be different from someone else's, however, that doesn't make you right or they wrong. Think about what you do and/or say and how it could make someone else feel. Name-calling, even in joking, is unacceptable at Camp Sonshine.
- Be willing to share information in matters relating to the health, safety, and welfare of the group. If you feel the need to tell the counselors something, you can do so at any time. Talking about something that you think we should know is not tattling, but helping to make camp better for everyone. You need to speak with a counselor immediately if you hear another LIT talking about something that is dangerous, dramatic, or unsafe. Please don't ever be afraid to speak with an adult at any time.
- Assist the staff in operating a safe program. The more helpful you are to the counselors and directors, the more able they will be to make the summer fun for you and for others.
- Camp Sonshine does not allow swearing or using inappropriate language wherever we are, including terms like "Shut up," "Crap," or "Sucks".
- Respect the rights and privacy of all campers and staff. If someone wants you to know something about him or her, they will tell you. Gossip and talking behind people's backs is unnecessary, very unkind, and can be extremely hurtful.
- Treat all equipment that we use as you would want someone to treat something that they borrowed from you.
- Respect the personal dignity, opinions, and possessions of others.
- Knives, guns, and weapons of any kind are not permitted at camp or on overnight trips for any reason.
- Cell phones, smart watches, MP3 players/iPods, two-way radios, DVD players, laptop computers, electronic devices, or games are not allowed. Camp will not be responsible for any lost or damaged items.

I have read, understand, and agree to the preceding expectations for my conduct as an LIT.

\_\_\_\_\_  
LIT Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of LIT

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**\*A copy of this agreement will be returned to you to keep for future reference.**

Camp Sonshine 13440 S 25th St, Roca, NE 68430 Phone: (402) 423-8746 Email: Info@CampSonshineMemories.org



# camp sunshine

## LIT Reference Form

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LIT Applicant First Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Last Name

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We consider it a special honor for teens to participate in this program. The LIT program is for teens who really want to grow as an individual and want to learn what it takes to be a truly effective leader in order to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

The position requires the applicant to work directly with a team of adult counselors in tending to needs of children. We therefore ask you to complete this form carefully and thoughtfully.

### Personal Reference Information:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_

Title (Pastor, Teacher, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_

City

\_\_\_\_\_

State

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the applicant in the following areas. If you have not observed them in an area, please indicate by checking N/A.

	Excellent	Above Avg.	Average	Below Avg.	Poor	N/A
Follows Instructions, Teachable						
Friendliness, Attitude						
Emotional Stability, Maturity						
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Leadership Ability, Initiative						
Honesty, Integrity						
Ability to work with others, Team-work						
Additional Comments						

Thank you so much for your role in the life of this teen and for taking the time to share your thoughts. Please return this form to the address below. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the office (402.423.8746).

Thank you,

Jeff Keiser, Camp Sonshine Director  
13440 S 25th St Roca, NE 68430



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