



## Sciencenter Summer Camp 2011

601 First Street, Ithaca, NY 14850  
ph. 607-272-0600 fax 607-277-7469

### **CIT APPLICATION FORM** **PLEASE COMPLETE ONE COPY FOR EACH CIT**

The Sciencenter Summer Camp Counselor in Training (CIT) Program is a special leadership development opportunity for students entering grades 7 & up. Participants are selected through an application process based on their interest in science, desire to give back to the local community through volunteer work, and past involvement with the Sciencenter.

CIT volunteers contribute to the Summer Camp program by assisting counselors with activities and supervising and providing companionship for young campers. CITs also work within the museum to complete a variety of tasks in the Sciencenter, from engaging visitors in hands-on activities to helping with daily museum operations.

CITs must commit to an entire two-week camp session plus a half-day of training on June 26, 2011.

#### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete the personal information sheet.
2. Write a one-page Personal Statement that answers the following questions:
  - How have you been involved with the Sciencenter?
  - Why do you want to be a youth volunteer with the Sciencenter?
  - What do you hope to get out of your volunteer experience?
  - What skills, background and/or interests would you bring to the Sciencenter as a volunteer?
3. Have **a teacher or another adult who is not related to you** complete and submit the confidential Recommendation Form.
4. Have **your parent/guardian** complete and sign the Parent/Guardian Permission Form.
5. Return all materials by May 4 to:

Sciencenter CIT Program –  
Attn. Alberto Lopez  
Sciencenter, 601 First Street  
Ithaca, NY 14850

#### WHAT'S NEXT?

After we have received all of the pieces of your application and your recommendation form, we may contact you to arrange an in-person or telephone interview.

**Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis through May 4 and final CIT placements will be completed by May 23.**





## Sciencenter Summer Camp – CIT Application

### **SCHEDULE AND ATTENDANCE**

CITs must commit to a full two-week session **as well as a training day at the Sciencenter on June 26, 2011**. Please indicate your 1<sup>st</sup> choice session. If your 1<sup>st</sup> choice is filled but you would like to be considered for another session please indicate a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> choice.

\_\_\_\_ Session 1      June 27 – July 8 (no camp on July 4)

\_\_\_\_ Session 2      July 11 – July 22

\_\_\_\_ Session 3      July 25 – August 5

\_\_\_\_ Session 4      August 8 – August 19

\_\_\_\_ Session 5      August 22 – September 2

**\*Summer camp hours are from 8:30am to 3:30pm.**

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## PERMISSION FORM

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ (child's name)

To receive emergency medical treatment in the event that injury or illness should occur during his or her participation in the CIT program, after program staff has made every reasonable attempt to contact me and/ or other legal guardians.

To participate in program related activities conducted at Sciencenter Summer Camp, I hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless the Sciencenter from any and all liability in respect to any loss, damage, or claim of any nature whatsoever arising out of or in any way related to my child's participation in the Sciencenter Summer Camp program, provided that such loss or damage was not caused solely by the fault or active negligence of the Sciencenter or its staff.

To walk off-site to local natural areas such as Stewart Park, the Ithaca Farmer's Market pavilion, the Sagan Planet Walk and Cascadilla Creek, and to tour other facilities.

Photo Release: The Sciencenter would like to record camp activities for educational and publicity purposes. If you DO NOT wish us to publish photographs, film, tape, and images of your child, please check here .

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_



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## Sciencenter Summer Camp Counselor in Training (CIT) Recommendation Form

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Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this candidate? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe how the candidate gets along with peers and adults. If you've observed the candidate with younger children, please comment on that.

What are your observations about the candidate's interests in science?

Describe the candidate's interest and/or approach in learning new things.

How would this candidate benefit from participating in this program?

Do you have any concerns you feel we should know about as we consider the candidate for this program?

What special skills, knowledge or experience would this candidate bring to the Sciencenter?

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail or fax (607-277-7469) completed form by May 4 to:  
Sciencenter CIT Program  
Attn. Alberto Lopez  
Sciencenter, 601 First Street  
Ithaca, NY 14850**

**Please contact Alberto Lopez, Sciencenter Museum Educator, with any questions: (607) 272 0600 ext 20, [alopez@sciencenter.org](mailto:alopez@sciencenter.org)**