

# CALI-CAMP SUMMER DAY CAMP VOLUNTEER JUNIOR COUNSELOR INFORMATION

Dear Prospective Volunteer Junior Counselor,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of Cali-Camp's Volunteer Junior Staff. Summer 2010 information:

**CAMP:** Co-educational Day Camp for children 4-14.  
**LOCATION:** Big Rock Ranch, 1717 Old Topanga Canyon Road, Topanga, CA 90290  
**DATES:** Monday June 21st through Friday, August 20th **Nine (9) weeks**  
**HOURS:** 8:00 AM TO 5:00PM (including bus ride)

## VALUABLE LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Cali-Camp's Volunteer Junior Counselor Program is offered to teenagers 14-15 years of age. The program provides for experience in working with children, peers and adults in a recreational setting. It also provides an opportunity to gain valuable leadership skills, build positive self images and enhance self esteem. We believe our program is an excellent learning experience for everyone involved. During the course of the summer Junior Counselors work closely with a variety of Counselors and Specialists. They will participate in the daily activities with their group of children and have specific responsibilities at the beginning of the day, during lunch or at the end of the day in various activity areas.

## BASIC REQUIREMENTS

ALL VOLUNTEER JUNIOR COUNSELORS MUST BE 14 PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF CAMP OR SHOW PROOF OF COMPLETION OF THE 8TH GRADE. The age requirement is strictly enforced because we have a program in camp for 13 year old campers entitled "Campers in Leadership Training". Volunteer Junior Counselors are an extremely important aspect of our overall camp program. Cali-Camp operates for 9 weeks. Junior Counselors are required to attend **7 of the 9 weeks (but may stay for all 9 weeks)** which leaves time for family vacations. Cali-Camp will make every effort to provide express transportation, but it is not guaranteed. There may be certain days during the summer when the bus is filled with campers (has only happened a few times before). We will attempt to place you on another vehicle or get you a ride with a staff member, but if all vehicles are filled you must be prepared to consider the possibility of providing your own transportation through carpooling with other Junior Counselors in you area. All new Junior Counselors are required to attend the Volunteer Junior Counselor Interview / Orientation and pre-camp Staff Training (totaling approximately 2 days). **Complete participation at Staff Training is MANDATORY for acceptance into the program. Please refrain from asking us to make an exception for you, the first year Junior Counselor.** Cali-Camp is proud of the fact that we provide the **highest quality professionally trained staff.**

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Please complete the enclosed application and mail it along with the first year tuition fee to our office. The tuition fee must accompany the application to be considered registered for the Volunteer Junior Counselor Interview / orientation.

1st year	2nd year	3rd year
\$400.00	\$265.00	\$150.00

## INTERVIEW PROCEDURES

The first meeting is an interview for all first time Volunteer Junior Counselors only! It is a two hour evaluation / interview held on **Sunday, April 25th 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.** We are looking for **positive role models for children.** Be prepared to **actively participate** in group introductions, singing and skits. Upon completion of the activities an evaluation and selection is made by the Camp Administrators. Should you not be selected or do not wish to participate in the program after the interview / orientation then your registration fee will be refunded. If you go through Staff Training and then decide not to participate in the program then the cost of early withdrawal from the program is 65% of the fee. Should you participate in the camp program and be dismissed from the program there will be no refund of the tuition.

## MANDATORY PRE-CAMP STAFF TRAINING

Staff Pre-Camp Staff Training is the most valuable time you will spend in order to provide for a successful summer for both you and the campers of Cali-Camp. Attendance is MANDATORY for all staff members (Senior and Junior). **Pre-Camp Staff Training for ALL STAFF, including Junior Counselors will be held Saturday, June 5th from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM and Saturday, June 12th from 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM.** Further information will follow should you be selected for the program. If you have any questions or just need more information, please have your teenager call our winter/spring office (prior to May 1st) and ask for Pam between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM at **(760) 836-3894 or email us at [staff@calicamp.com](mailto:staff@calicamp.com)**