

Heit's Point Junior Counselor Program

Application package

Heit's Point has a comprehensive Junior Counselor training program. It is designed to teach young leaders a variety of practical and life skills. These skills give the JC candidate an opportunity to develop responsibility, confidence, independence, and the ability to form lasting relationships. The JC will learn different skills listed below and will plan activities, a special event and participate in leadership building activities. As the JC is guided to lead some of the programs we provide, the JC will test their newly acquired skills.

Who should apply for the program?

Youth who:

- will be entering their junior or senior year in High School.
- want to develop leadership in a Christian environment.
- who demonstrate aptitude to be a leader.
- who want to serve others.
- who have the ability to work well with others in a variety of situations.
- who have a strong desire to teach and learn.

Skills to be developed in the Junior Counselor program at Heit's Point:

- Life/Leadership Skills
- Spiritual Development
- Reflection and Self Evaluation
- Team Building
- Various Outdoor & Survival Skills
- Servant Leadership Skills
- Personal Organizing Skills and Goal Setting
- Assist with Bible Studies & Devotions
- Communication Skills

If this program seems like it would be something you are interested in, please apply!

Here's how to apply for the program:

- Step 1** Complete the JC application form (attached). Make sure you read the JC Expectations and Conduct Agreement and then mail in your completed **1) JC application form, 2) a recent picture of yourself, 3) one reference letter, 4) \$75 to cover the cost of food, and 5) a signed JC Expectations and Conduct Agreement** to Heit's Point.
- Step 2** Once this information is received, you will be contacted for an interview.
- Step 3** After the interview, we will contact you to inform you of our decision.

We hope to hear from you soon!

Please call us at 660-668-2363 or email at programs@heitspoint.com. if you have any questions about the program or this application process.

Heit's Point
Junior Counselor Application Form

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

EDUCATION

High School/College: _____

Grade entering this fall: _____

Have you gone to camp before? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what camp(s) did you attend?

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FULLY.

Why do you want to participate in Junior Counselor Program?

What experiences (i.e. youth group, volunteer work, work experience, travel) do you have that you think will help you in the program?

Select the adjectives that best describe you:

Systematic Spontaneous Decisive Reserved Independent Rigid
Random Analyzer Submissive Enthusiastic Sociable Flexible

Describe something you accomplished that really gave you a sense of satisfaction.

Tell about something you tried but failed and then how you responded to the failure.

Share one of your favorite Bible verses or Bible stories and what made you choose it.

Have you ever led a Devotion or Bible study? If yes, then what was the topic and age group?

Give a brief statement about your personal faith and how you would share it with others.

Camp(s) you would be interested in being a junior counselor for (please refer to our current summer camp brochure):

Please list the one person who will write a reference letter for you, preferably someone who has seen you in a leadership role.

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Relationship to you: _____

I confirm that the information contained in this application is accurate and true.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

HEIT'S POINT JUNIOR COUNSELOR EXPECTATIONS AND CONDUCT AGREEMENT

Heit's Point's Mission statement is: "Strengthening the Connection with the Vine"

Heit's Point's Ministry goals are: to provide a Christ-centered experience that fosters spiritual growth in its guests through their participation in program events, hosted events, and interaction with camp surroundings.

to design and implement program events that are spiritually based and grounded in the Word of God, consistent with Lutheran doctrine, and developed as well as delivered by Heit's Point staff.

Heit's Point is a Recognized Service Organization of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. The policies of Heit's Point are reflective of the mission. It is the expectation that all staff and Junior Counselors-(JC) will govern their personal actions to reflect the mission as well.

As a JC you will be expected to follow the set policies at Heit's Point to ensure that campers, fellow JCs and staff will be in a safe atmosphere physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

Heit's Point Junior Counselor Policies

1. There is a dress code for JCs. This means that appropriate and modest clothing must be worn while at camp. One piece swimming suits, fingertip length shorts, and appropriate tank tops are required.
2. JCs must stay in their own cabin area and are not permitted in the cabin area of the opposite sex.
3. There are no illicit drugs, alcohol, or smoking at Heit's Point, or any related events.
4. The behavior of the JC must reflect that of a Christian lifestyle. JCs are expected to cooperate with others and respect each other. Any kind of abusive language or words is unacceptable. Language, attitude and physical actions should at all times compliment the camp's program, philosophy and values.
5. All medication must be handed into the summer camp medical counselor.
6. Respect for camp property is expected from all JCs.
7. All visitors are required to call the Heit's Point office for permission to visit. Please be sure that any potential visitors understand this policy.

8. iPods, cell phones, or other electronic devices are not permitted at Heit's Point while programs are being conducted. JCs must be left at home or with the program director at the beginning of the week.
9. There will be a short, brief JC training at the beginning of the camp week.

I understand and agree with all of the above information and understand that not complying with these policies could result in my dismissal from the program.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Checklist (things to send in)

- Completed JR application form
- Health form (You can also find this on the Heit's Point website)
- Signed JR conduct agreement form
- One reference letter
- Recent picture of yourself
- \$75 to cover the cost of food for the week

Thank you for applying!