



# COUNSELOR IN TRAINING PROGRAM

## Purpose

The City of Dripping Springs' Parks and Community Services Coyote Kids Nature Camp's mission is to connect kids with nature and the great outdoors. Its Counselor-In-Training program is for campers who are between the ages of 13-15 (by June 1) of their eligible summer. CIT registration is accompanied by an application. Applicants must demonstrate maturity and be able to represent themselves in a manner that exhibits a willingness to take the next step in growth and leadership, as a young person.

We hope that the application process will help introduce skills for the next step, i.e., college applications, job interviews, scholarship applications, etc. introducing them to "down the road" processes. It is our goal to mold strong leaders who understand that dedication and hard work will lead them to better outcomes when making choices. We are looking for mature kids who enjoy mentoring younger kids and can assist camp counselors in creating incredible experiences and memories for Coyote Kids Nature Day campers.

Time	Topic	Category
7:30AM - 8:15AM	Extended Care Activities & Coyote "Hi-Ya" Huddle	Main Pack Transition
8:15AM - 9:15AM	Morning Hike & Nature Notes	Small Pack Activity
9:15AM - 10:15AM	Morning Thematic Program	Small Pack Activity
10:15AM - 10:45AM	Snack & Play	Small Pack Play Break
10:45AM - 11:45AM	Outdoor Recreation Pursuit	Small Pack Activity
11:45AM - 1:30PM	Coyote Midday Huddle & Lunch	Main Pack Transition
1:30PM - 2:30PM	Game - Time	Small Pack Activity
2:30PM - 5:00PM	Afternoon Thematic Program & Coyote "See-Ya" Huddle	Main Pack In-door Activity
5:00PM - 6:00PM	Extended Care Activities	Main Pack Transition

## Program Summary

- The one-week Coyote Kids CIT Program is designed to teach nature education skills, leadership, and fun facilitation as well as community and counseling skills, and team building while working with youth 5–12-years of age.
- The Coyote Kids Nature Camp CIT program encourages leadership, problem-solving, responsibility and independence, which is essential in their futures, both at Camp and life at home. CITs participate in creating, supporting, and leading some camp activities while enjoying the fun of camp.
- A successful participant will have shown themselves to be enthusiastic, dedicated, hard-working and devoted to the Coyote Kids Nature Camp Mission.
- The CIT Leader will use the dynamics of shared experiences and responsibility to bond the participants. CITs will be visible at camp as leaders in CIT skits, daily hikes, activities, games and at our camp wrap up campfire on Fridays.
- It is important to understand CITs are campers and not on staff. They are expected to demonstrate excellent behavior and be a positive role model for the campers and camp staff. They will be held accountable for any inappropriate behavior.

## Application Process

- Register for the Summer 2021 Coyote Kids Camp week of choice and pay the fee. Registration is now open.
- Registrations are accepted throughout the summer. Once the CIT camper is registered, they will receive a CIT "Application" google form. This allows the Camp Director to get to know them better prior to the start of their camp session(s) and gauge which Coyote Pack they should be paired with.
- For more information, contact Camp Director, Hanna Gregory  
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## WEEKLY CAMP THEMES

Week #	Camp Dates	Theme	Full Day Camper Course #	Counselor In Training Course #	Extended Care Course #
1	June 1 - June 4	All Things Wings I	X88.2020	X1.2020	X99.2020
2	June 7 - June 11	Outdoor Survival I	X89.2020	X2.2020	X100.2020
3	June 14 - June 18	Big Sky Fun	X90.2020	X3.2020	X101.2020
4	June 21 - June 25	Ways of the Wild	X91.2020	X4.2020	X102.2020
5	June 28 - July 2	Outdoor Adventures	X92.2020	X5.2020	X103.2020
6	July 5 - July 9	Rock-N-Roll I	X93.2020	X6.2020	X104.2020
7	July 12 - July 16	All Things Wings II	X94.2020	X7.2020	X105.2020
8	July 19 - July 23	Wet -N- Wild	X95.2020	X8.2020	X106.2020
9	July 26 - July 30	Sun & Stars	X96.2020	X9.2020	X107.2020
10	Aug 2 - Aug 6	Outdoor Survival II	X97.2020	X10.2020	X108.2020
11	Aug 9 - Aug 13	Rock-N-Roll II	X98.2020	X11.2020	X109.2020