

NECYSC Counselor-In-Training Application 2021

General Information

Camp Location:	Regis College, 235 Wellesley St., Weston, MA 02493
Age Requirement:	Entering 11 th grade in Fall 2021
Timeline:	
February 1st	CIT Online Registration starts
February 14th	Google Form Application due at 11:59pm
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must include Supplemental Questions (see page 3)• Upon <i>acceptance</i> into the CIT program, individuals must submit within 2 weeks:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Health Forms within the 13 months of camp start date.○ Payment by Check - \$575○ CORI Form (if older than 18 years old during camp week)○ SORI Form (if older than 18 years old during camp week)○ Photo ID○ Medical release forms as needed.
March 6-7th (Sat./Sun.)	Interviews
July 31st (Sat.)	All Staff Training
August 1st - August 7th	Camp Week

- Fee:** \$575 (for room/board) – Check must be postmarked by the two week deadline (from the date of acceptance) and will only be deposited upon acceptance to the CIT program.
- *There is a \$50 non-refundable handling fee for withdrawal before May 1st. No refunds will be made after May 1st.
- **Financial Aid is available based solely on need – visit www.necytc.org/financial_aid for more information. Please state you are applying for financial aid when completing your online registration and submit a check for 50% of the program cost with your application.

Camp Overview

The New England Chinese Youth Summer Camp (NECYSC) started in 1986. NECYSC is a non-profit organization whose goal is to bring together youth interested in Chinese culture and foster a sense of community. We are looking for dedicated, responsible, and passionate Counselors-In-Training to lead campers in daily activities. CITs interact extensively, cooperatively, and creatively with each other, with counselors, and with other camp staff to hone their leadership and communication skills.

Counselor-In-Training Job Description

As a Counselor-In-Training (CIT), you will:

- Lead a group in either the Day or Overnight program with a Counselor and co-CIT. Day staff works with campers of ages 6-10 and overnight staff works with campers ages 10-14. Along with a Counselor and a co-CIT, you will lead a group of around fifteen campers through activities and classes during the day and build a sense of community within the group. Day campers leave at 5:30 pm and Overnight campers attend camp-wide activities during the night.

- **Develop a community within your residential hall group.** You will get to know your hall group with icebreakers and hold nightly hall group meetings.
- **Help organize and coordinate activities.** You'll work with Counselors and other CITs to plan for and execute evening activities, Counselor Time for your group, and other camp activities.
- **Improve your leadership skills.** During camp, you'll have to think on your feet, take charge of tough situations, and work with other staff members. As a role model to both campers and other staff, you'll have several opportunities to improve your leadership skills. You'll also have nightly meetings with your group staff and have a chance to give and receive feedback.
- **Form valuable relationships.** You will not only interact with campers and other staff members, but you will communicate with teachers, TAs, parents, Regis College staff, and many others.

Operations Team Description

Due to the overwhelming interest in our CIT program at NECYSC, we have expanded our junior leadership training program through the Operations Team (OPS). The mission of OPS is to develop professional project management skills required as future leaders. The OPS team consists of an Operations Counselor (OC) and several Operations Counselors-In-Trainings (OCITs). As an OCIT, you will:

- Report directly to the Executive Team of NECYSC (Head Counselors, Head Resident Advisors, and Directors), supporting the logistical needs throughout the camp week to ensure smooth operation of the camp.
- Utilize your leadership, communication, and organizational skills to make sure essential projects and tasks are completed in a timely manner.
- Help organize and coordinate activities. You'll work with Counselors and other CITs to plan for and execute evening activities.
- Improve your leadership skills. During camp, you'll have to think on your feet, take charge of tough situations, and work with other staff members. As a role model to both campers and other staff, you'll have several opportunities to improve your leadership skills. You'll also have nightly meetings with the OPS Team and have a chance to give and receive feedback.
- Develop a community within your residential hall group. You will get to know your hall group with icebreakers and hold nightly hall group meetings.
- Form valuable relationships. You will not only interact with campers and other staff members, but you will communicate with teachers, TAs, committee, Regis College staff, and many others.

Notice

*Due to the global pandemic, there is a possibility that NECYSC will be unable to host an in-person camp for summer 2021. The information and details provided are applicable under the assumption that NECYSC will host an in-person camp. **All information is subject to change in the event that NECYSC is unable to host an in-person camp.** Please reach out to the Head Counselor team with any questions.*

Other

Acceptance is contingent on a CORI/SORI check. CITs must stay on campus all week.

High school applicants are eligible to apply for both the CIT position and the ExplorAsian program, but *may only attend one.*

***For those who would like to register for ExplorAsian when not accepted as CIT:**

1. Email registration@necyisc.org as soon as you know your status. Your program will not be changed automatically unless you notify registration.
2. Send in the tuition check for EA program and CORI/SORI/ID for the parent who will perform POD duty to NECYSC, P. O. Box 615, Weston, MA, 02493.
3. CIT applicants have priority to be accepted to EA program

Questions? Contact headcounselors@necyisc.org.

Application (due Sun. February 14th)

For new CITs: Please enter your applicant information and answer the following questions in [this form](#).

For returning CITs: Please enter your applicant information and answer the following questions in [this form](#).

Applicant Information:

Name
Preferred pronouns
Address
Current School (and year of graduation)
Date of Birth
Telephone (most easily reached)
Personal E-mail
Last six digits of social security number (for CORI/SORI check)

Please answer the following questions:

1. What qualities make you a strong leader and how do you embody these qualities? What makes you qualified for this position?
2. What do you seek to gain from this experience?
3. What age group and program (Day/Overnight) would you prefer to work with and why?
4. As described in the job description, we have the OPs team which will consist of OCITs. If accepted as a CIT, would you be interested in taking this position? (answering affirmatively does not bind you to the OCIT position)

New CITs

5. Why do you want to be a CIT for NECYSC?
6. What about this role will challenge you and how will you handle those challenges?

Returning CITs

5. Evaluate your previous experiences as a CIT. What did you learn and what do you hope to improve on?
6. If camp 2021 were to be online, suggest some changes from 2020: how can virtual camp improve?

For New CITs:

Please be prepared to schedule an interview on March 6-7th (Sat./Sun.)

Based on your application, we will contact you if we would like to proceed with an interview. If contacted, the

interview is **required** to be considered. Interviews will be conducted online.

For Returning CITs:

Please send in Health Form B, CORI/SORI (if over 18), and check within two weeks of acceptance to NECYSC, PO Box 615, Weston, MA 02493

Have you submitted everything?

- ✓ Applicant information and responses to supplemental questions as detailed above submitted in the google form.
- ✓ Camper/CIT Online Registration completed online at www.necytc.org (opens February 1st)
- ✓ Upon acceptance to the CIT program, within two weeks, mail CIT Forms to NECYSC's PO Box (forms and PO box address will be published on www.necytc.org on Feb 1st.):
 1. Health Form B (required) [Health Form B can be substituted with a physical or documents containing the same information but signed by healthcare providers]
 2. Medication Permission Slip (*optional*)
 3. CORI/SORI (required if over 18)
 4. Photo ID
 5. Check for \$575 made payable to NECYSC

Note: You may check your online registration status at www.necytc.org/status/.