

Permission to Participate

Communication, Independence, and Responsibility: Compassionate Leadership Empowerment (CIRCLE)

I give _____ permission to participate in Phase One of the Camp Augusta CIRCLE program. This phase requires a thorough reading of the entire Camp Augusta website, campaugusta.org (over 170 pages), with notes taken on those pages and questions written down for any content that wasn't understood. Additionally, extensive and detailed answers to twelve questions posted on the website will also be required. The applicant's initial responses to these questions will likely generate 1-3 rounds of follow-up questions from the Camp Augusta staff as we seek to understand and get to know the applicant. To meet the detail and depth of thought necessary to be considered as a serious applicant, these combined writings will likely exceed 12-15 pages, single-spaced, and possibly more depending on their attention to detail. The applicant will also be required to listen to segments from NPR's "This I Believe" program, with related writing assignments.

Phase One requires no program fee, and must be COMPLETED by December 15 in order for the CIRCLE applicant to be considered for Phase Two. After December 15, the Camp Augusta staff will review all applications and assess them in terms of the needs of the program as well as the needs of the applicant. We will provide feedback by January 10 with our thoughts on whether the applicant would be a good fit to continue with Phase Two of the program. If we invite the applicant to continue with Phase Two, more information will come your way, but in the interest of awareness, a brief description of the Phase Two requirements are listed below:

- Non-refundable program fee of \$700 at the beginning of Phase Two, even if applicant withdraws or misses deadlines
- Two hour phone interview
- Monthly journal assignments (600 words per month)
- View at least 12 videos related to culture and human development, sent out by us, with written assignments for each video
- Create a completed, original all-camp evening program
- Written assignment on the applicant's understanding and use of "clean communication"
- Take the Myers Briggs Type Indicator assessment
- Read the entire Staff Manual (over 140 pages), followed by a verbal discussion that requires the applicant to be able to discuss and explain any part of it

Phase One Time Commitment: 30 hours (thorough reading and reflections on website content, 4 hours; thorough reading of camp expectations and philosophies, 2 hours; responses to 12 questions, 15 hours; This I Believe, 6 hours listening, 3 hours writing)

Phase Two Time Commitment: up to 70 hours (interview, 2 hours; videos, 15 hours watching, 4 hours writing; clean communication writing assignment, 2 hours; evening program planning, 15-20 hours; Myers Briggs, 1 hour; staff manual, 4 hours reading, 1 hour discussion; monthly journals, 10 total hours; additional items will be distributed over the summer, up to 10 more hours)

Again, this form applies only to Phase One. Having read the above and the CIRCLE portion of the website completely, _____ has permission to proceed with Phase One of the Camp Augusta CIRCLE program.

Guardian

Date