



Dear LIT Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Leader in Training Program at Camp-A-Palooza at Kids First Sports Center. This exciting leadership training program, for campers who are 13-15 years of age, is designed to give you hands-on experience in camp counseling, child development, decision-making, community-building, conflict resolution and so much more.

The LIT program is a stepping stone -- learning the skills it takes to be a camp counselor, staff member, or a leader in your home, school, and community. With the program being designed in this way, we will ask more of you than typical campers: more maturity, more time, and more responsibility.

As a first step to the program, we ask that you fill out the enclosed application for the LIT program. It is much like a job application. It will help us to know you a little better, and best capitalize on your skills in camp. Please email your completed application to [ashelma@kidsfirstsports.com](mailto:ashelma@kidsfirstsports.com). After we receive your application, we will email you to set up an interview over zoom in late March/early April. Soon after the interview, we will let you know if you have been accepted into the program for a trial week. More specific details will follow pertaining to weeks, supervision, LIT activities, etc.

**We highly encourage that you turn in your application as soon as possible. You can submit your application by emailing it to [ashelma@kidsfirstsports.com](mailto:ashelma@kidsfirstsports.com).**

**Full participation in the program is not guaranteed after your acceptance.** After the first week of leadership development and getting a taste of the LIT program, you will meet with the LIT Coordinator to evaluate your participation in the remainder of the program. (Though, we can reassure you that a camper not being asked to continue the program after the first week is quite rare.)

If you or your parents have any questions about this experience, please send me an email. If you know of others interested in our LIT program, please encourage them to contact us soon, **as each LIT week has only 25 openings in 2026**. Thanks! We hope to see you this summer!

Sincerely,

**Ashley Elma**

Ashley Elma  
Assistant Camp Director  
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### **Application Timeline**

**May 1, 2026 - Application Deadline**

**Interviews will take place after your application is received (May).**

**Acceptance emails will be sent within 1 week of your interview.**

***LIT applications may be accepted after May1, 2026, if spots are still available.***

# 2026 Camp-A-Palooza LIT Application

## Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Gender M F

Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ School Grade (2026-27) \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that LITs are encouraged to attend at least 5 weeks of camp. Those attending 5 weeks or more will be considered first for entrance to the program. Also, note that we only have 25 LIT openings each week. Switching weeks may not be possible after you register for LIT camp if weeks are full, so take careful consideration in choosing the weeks that you would like.

## Education

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any courses and/or special training related to position desired:

### Certifications

### Expiration Date

- Lifeguard Training
- Basic First Aid
- Adult or Pediatric CPR
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## Volunteer Experience

*Please list the most recent volunteer or employment experiences.*

Why are you interested in working with young people in a camp setting?

What special gifts or talents would you bring to the program and staff?

What personal goals do you hope to accomplish from this experience?

What extra-curricular activities are you involved in?

What do you do for fun? Any special interests?

Complete this statement: "I am interested in this camp leadership experience because..."

Do you have any health condition that might limit your full participation in this experience (physical or emotional)?

**Applicant's Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your interest in Camp-A-Palooza and the LIT Program at Kids First Sports Center!**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please call 513.489.7575 or email  
[ashelma@kidsfirstsports.com](mailto:ashelma@kidsfirstsports.com).**