



**Ocean Beach Youth Group
P.O. Box 631
Ocean Beach, New York 11770**

Dear Parents and CITS,

April 10, 2016

If you are currently at least 14 years of age or have completed the 13 year old camper program, you have graduated from an OBYG camper to a Counselor In Training (CIT). We have worked hard to create a program that will prepare you to be a confident, well-trained counselor while providing you with the opportunity to still have fun. You will be under the supervision of the CIT Coordinator, Katie Hunter.

The 2016 CIT program will now encompass a 2 year sequence before promotion to Junior Counselor. This will allow you the time and experience to be exposed to many different aspects of becoming a successful future counselor! You will be trained in CPR and First Aid, as well as participate in many different workshops such as Allergy Identification, Epi- Pen Training, Positive Communication, Team Building, and many more.

During your first summer, you will be assigned to one area per week and will rotate through multiple areas, on a rotating weekly basis (group and specialty areas), so as to expose you to many different areas of experience and a wide range of ages of campers. You will spend most of your time reporting to the group head counselor or Program Director and working with those children. As it is important to create a smooth transition between being a camper to becoming a counselor, you will also have the opportunity to attend the 13 and 14 year old field trips once a week, to allow you time to have relaxed fun! The final component will be a counselor training session just for CITS during lunch once a week and in the afternoon session once a week. You will be required to attend a pre-camp training session on Sunday, June 26th, 2016 from 11-12pm.

For Ocean Beach residents the cost of this program is \$534 for the season, \$370 for session I, \$231 for session II, or \$80 per week. For Non- OB residents, the cost for this program will be \$588 for the season, \$410 for session I, \$261 for session II, or \$90 per week. This will cover the trips, special training and insurance costs. Please complete and send the attached CIT application to:

Ralph Scordino
89 Washington St.
Babylon, NY 11702

Participation in the CIT program is mandatory if you are planning on working as a Junior Counselor for the summer of 2018. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you this summer. If you have any questions, please contact me at RSVOB@optonline.net.

Sincerely,

Ralph Scordino, Director of OBYG