Newberry YMCA Summer Camp 2026

CIT Program

$65/Week YMCA Members
$80/Week Non-Members

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Who Can Be a CIT? (Ages & Requirements)

A Counselor in Training (CIT) is any teen interested in becoming a future YMCA leader through our Summer Camp program! CITs must be 14–15 years old

Mandatory Training & Expectations

Mandatory CIT Training on May 16th from 1 PM – 5 PM. You'll also be invited to the first day of staff training to meet the team who will mentor you and help you feel confident in your role.

Lunch & Daily Meals – What You Need to Know

Lunch will be provided—or you may bring your own. No DoorDash or outside deliveries are allowed, and CITs should arrive having already eaten breakfast. A snack will also be provided each day.

Weekly Themes and Field Trips

Field trips are subject to change.

- Week 1 - Big Beginnings!
  - (May 26th - May 29th)
  - Field Trip - Palmetto Trails
  - No Field Trip for the ACC this week.
- Week 2 - Oceans and Overflows
  - (June 1st - June 5th)
  - Field Trip - Gully Splash Pad
- Week 3 - Colors and Creations
  - (June 8th - June 12th)
  - Field Trip - NAC Activity
- Week 4 - Experiments and Explosions
  - (June 15th - June 19th)
  - Field Trip - Edventure
  - The Big 10 - Anchor Lanes
- Week 5 - Fields and Farms
  - (June 22nd - June 26th)
  - Field Trip -TBD
- Week 6 - Stars and Space
  - (June 29th - July 3rd)
  - NO Field Trip this week!
  - 4th of July Pool Party
- Week 7 - Mysteries and Mazes
  - (July 6th - July 10th)
  - Field Trip - Escape Room
  - The ACC - Publix Grocery Store
- Week 8 - Thrills and Themes
  - (July 13 - July 17th)
  - Field Trip -TBD
- Week 9 - Sport's and Spectacles
  - (July 20th - July 24th)
  - Field Trip - TBD
- Week 10 - Fireworks and Spectacles
  - (July 27th - July 31st)
  - NO Field Trip this week!! - End of Summer Carnival instead!

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Field Trips: Participation & Responsibilities

As you grow more comfortable and build positive relationships with campers, you may be invited to attend a field trip and assist a counselor with their group.

Technology Rules: Our No-Tech Expectations

We are a tech-free zone, so phones must stay put away unless there is an emergency. Failure to follow this may result in being sent home for the day.



CIT Job Description & Role Overview

Building positive, supportive relationships with campers and peers
Modeling enthusiasm, kindness, and YMCA core values throughout the day
Assisting counselors with activities, crafts, games, transitions, and group management
Helping maintain a safe, organized, and fun camp environment
Participating actively in all camp activities, including swimming
Observing and learning how counselors lead groups and manage schedules
Supporting behavior expectations by following staff direction
Assisting on field trips when approved by leadership
Maintaining a tech-free presence, keeping phones put away unless in an emergency situation
Schedule Expectations:
The typical CIT day is 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, unless otherwise adjusted for a field trip.
CITs arriving before 9:00 AM will be placed with our oldest group to help lead games or activities.
CITs staying after 3:00 PM will also be placed with the oldest group to continue supporting activities.
CITs must be prepared to swim with campers on designated swim days.

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