

Dear Resident Camp Counselor or Resident Counselor Intern Applicants,

We thank you for your interest in joining the Resident Camp Choson Counselor Team. The mission of our camp is to offer Korean-American youth opportunities to develop friendships, discover new skills, build respect for others and nature, and gain an appreciation for their cultural heritage. The Resident Camp is focused on identity and the Korean American experience. Our goal is to create a safe environment to discuss social issues, to build life-long friendships, and above all, to have fun.

To be a Camp Choson **resident counselor**, you must be at least **21** years old. To be a Camp Choson resident counselor **intern**, you must be at least **19** years old. You will be required to commit to the following dates at the Girl Scout venue Camp Lakamaga: July 1, 2017 through July 7, 2017. A background check and updated health information form will be required for all those who are hired (available for downloading from our website listed below).

Camp Choson Counselor Training is July 1, 2017(Saturday) – July 2, 2017 (Sunday)

- Counselor check-in for training is at 9am on Saturday, June 30, 2018
- The counselor orientation and training will begin on Saturday, and continues through Sunday afternoon. Camp Choson Resident Camp is July 1, 2018 through July 6, 2018
- Camper check-in begins at 3pm on Sunday July 1st
- Camp runs from July 1st through July 6th

Resident camp **counselor** is a *paid* position. The role of resident camp counselor includes the following responsibilities:

1. Maintain absolute safety and supervision of your campers at all time.
2. Develop a nurturing relationship with each and every camper in your group.
3. Help facilitate growth of campers' self esteem, teamwork skills, and cultural identity exploration.
4. Act as a role model for appropriate sharing and decision-making.
5. Respect the campers' individuality by NEVER criticizing, shaming, or imposing your own values.
6. Lead and facilitate camp activities.

7. Become familiar with the protocols outlined in the Girl Scouts' Handbook.

Resident camp counselor **intern** is a **volunteer** position. Food and lodging are provided at camp. A resident camp counselor intern gains hands-on counselor experience.

If you agree to accept the above responsibilities and commitments, please complete and return the application below by **April 15, 2018**. Please answer each question thoroughly and thoughtfully using extra sheets of paper if necessary. Upon receiving your application, we will contact you regarding an interview over the phone and/or in-person with resident camp coordinators and/or the staff screening committee.

If you know of any other prospective camp counselors or interns, please refer them to the Camp Choson website at www.campchoson.org. If you have any questions, please contact Tricia Howell at (loviehowell@gmail.com). Thank you for your interest in Camp Choson!

Resident Camp Counselor/Intern Application

Please complete this form and mail to the following address: 2017 Resident Camp Counselor Coordinator, c/o Tricia Howell, 2272 Fieldstone Road SW, Rochester, MN 55902.

Please check the position for which you are applying: ___ Resident Counselor ___ Resident Counselor Intern

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Age by June 2016: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail _____

Please answer the following questions: (use back of page if you need more space)

Previous work or volunteer experience:

Extra-Curricular activities you are involved in:

Why do you want to be a camp counselor or intern at Camp Choson?

What experiences have you had working with youth?

What do you hope to offer campers as a counselor or intern?

What do you hope to gain as a counselor or intern?

Do you have any outdoor or nature skills? Describe:

Are you a former Choson camper? Yes _____ No _____ Day camp? _____ Resident camp? _____
Are you a former Choson counselor? Yes _____ No _____ Day camp? _____ Resident camp? _____

References: Please provide the names of two adult references (not *family members*), and their phone numbers:

1. _____
Relationship (teacher, employer, etc.): _____
Phone: _____

2. _____
Relationship (teacher, employer, etc.): _____
Phone: _____

ALL COUNSELORS AND INTERNS MUST SUBMIT A COUNSELOR HEALTH INFORMATION FORM AND BACKGROUND CHECK FORM BY 5/31.