

Dear Resident Camp Counselor or Resident Counselor 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. You will be required to commit to the following dates at the Girl Scout venue Camp Lakamaga: Saturday, June 27, 2020 through Friday, July 3, 2020. 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 Saturday, June 27, 2020 – Sunday June 28, 2020

- Counselor check-in for training is at 10am on Saturday, June 27, 2020
- The counselor orientation and training will begin on Saturday, and continues through Sunday afternoon.
- Camper check-in begins at 3pm on Sunday June 28th
- Resident Camp runs from June 28th through July 3rd

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. 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, 2020**. 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 coordinator 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:
2020 Resident Camp Counselor Coordinator c/o Tricia Howell
2215 Haralson Lane SW
Rochester, MN 55902**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Age by June 2020: _____
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 MUST SUBMIT A COUNSELOR HEALTH INFORMATION FORM AND BACKGROUND CHECK FORM BY 5/31.