

JUNIOR COUNSELOR FAQ

Can I apply for more than one session of the Junior Counselor Program?

Absolutely. You may apply for Session 1, Session 2, or both sessions – whatever works for your busy schedule.

I was a Junior Counselor last year—do I need to attend a group interview session?

No, only first-time applicants need to attend a group interview.

I completed a Junior Counselor application last year—do I need to fill out another application?

If you completed a Junior Counselor application last year, you still need to complete the 2026 application.

Is this a paid position?

No. Junior Counselors pay tuition to attend Camp Adler

How do I apply?

Apply via the website link. Only complete applications with letters of recommendation will be reviewed. You may submit applications through email, snail mail, or in person. First-Time applicants must attend a group interview before being accepted.

When will I know if I've been accepted?

Applicants will be notified at the end of April. Successful applicants have two weeks to accept their spot. If they do not accept their position in the program within two weeks, they will be removed from the program and their spot will be given to a student on the wait list.

When should I pay my tuition?

You should pay your Camp Adler tuition within two weeks of being accepted to the program. If your tuition is not paid within two weeks, you will be removed from the program and your spot will be given to a student on the wait list.

Will I get in?

The application process is competitive and focused on finding junior counselors with genuine interests in working with young children, serving their community, and building leadership skills through collaboration and the arts. Kindness counts.

Can I add this experience to my resume?

Absolutely. Admission is selective, and you will be providing valuable community service at the Adler Arts Center. You are also gaining valuable work experience. You can also add your Junior Counselor experience to your National Junior Honor Society, National Honor Society, resume and college applications.

If I do the Junior Counselor Program, will I get to be a counselor when I'm 16?

While we do often hire counselors that have participated in the Junior Counselor Program, we primarily hire college students as camp counselors and the hiring process for counselor positions is extremely competitive. All Junior Counselors will have gained valuable work experience that will prepare them to be excellent camp counselors wherever they go next.

What will my day at Camp Adler be like?

You will report to your counselor and be assigned a squad of campers whom you will assist throughout the day. You will assist your counselor throughout the entire day, helping to facilitate 4 periods of art and performance classes for your squad. Junior Counselors will lead activities for their campers, participate in fine arts projects of their own, and help plan and lead celebrations and games on the final day of each camp session.

**APPLICATION OPENS
JANUARY 29 AT 9AM**

SESSION DATES:

Session I: June 8 - 26

Session II: July 6 - 24