

NJAUMC
Japanese American United Methodist Caucus
Junior High Camp 2013
COUNSELOR APPLICATION

CRITERIA

- Willingness to share and articulate their faith journey
 - Open to growing and challenging their personal faith through JHC training and camping experience
 - Active participation in and regular attendance at a local church (JA/UMC church or otherwise)
 - Must complete Criminal Background Check (18 years and older) and/or Volunteer Disclosure Form (18 year and younger) per NJAUMC Camping Board Safe Sanctuary Policy.
 - Responsible and dedicated team worker
 - Willingness to work with the directors, peers, and participating churches
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REQUIREMENTS

- Incoming high school senior or older
- Completely fill out the entire application sheet.
- A signature and a statement by your local church pastor, youth leader or lay leader endorsing your qualifications as a leader (attached below).
- One additional letter of recommendation from an adult who knows your strengths and weaknesses in your leadership qualifications/abilities (i.e. teacher, professor, coach, employer). This may **not** be a parent or sibling.
- Attendance and full participation at JHC Counselor Training 2013 Meetings, the week of Camp and the post-camp gathering
Regional training meetings will take place in January, February, April, May, and June, the All-Cal training retreat will take place in June, and the West Coast meeting will take place in March (dates listed below)
**Attendance is expected and mandatory at meetings and retreats (that is, the All-Cal retreat, the West Coast retreat, and every regional meeting respective to the region you are from), with the exceptions of emergencies. Scheduling conflicts should be discussed with a director as soon as the conflict is known, at best on your application itself. Any exceptions will be made at the discretion of the directing team.*

Application Deadline: January 6, 2013

(Must be in our hands by the above date! No exceptions!)

If there are any questions, contact:

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KEY DATES

Regional Meetings

Northern California (including UJCC):

Jan 19th 2013 Feb 23rd 2013 April 6th 2013 May 2013 TBD

Locations: Wesley UMC: 566 North 5th Street, San Jose, California 95112. (408) 295-0367. Buena Vista UMC 2311 Buena Vista Ave., Alameda California 94501. (510) 522-2688. Aldersgate UMC 4243 Manuela Avenue Palo Alto, California 94306. (650) 948-6806. Regional meetings begin promptly at 10:00am and conclude at 3:00pm. Attendance expected from Northern California counselors.

Southern California:

**Jan 26th 2013 Feb 9th 2013 April 6th 2013
April 20th 2013 (optional) May 2013 TBD**

Location: Faith UMC: 2115 West 182nd Street, Torrance, California 90504. (310) 217-7000. Regional meetings begin promptly at 10:00am and conclude at 3:00pm. Attendance expected from Southern California counselors.

Pacific Northwest:

**Feb 15th-16th 2013(overnighter-details TBD) May 2013 TBD
June 15th 2013**

Location: Blaine UMC: 3001 24th Ave. S, Seattle, Washington 98144. (206) 723-1536. Regional meetings begin promptly at 10:00 am and conclude at 3:00pm. Attendance is expected from PNW counselors.

West Coast All Staff Retreat

March 22nd -24th 2013

Location: UJCC; 136 N. Villa Ave. Clovis, CA 93612. (559) 322-0701.
Meeting will begin on Friday night (exact time TBD) and will end after service on Sunday.
Attendance expected from all counselors.

All-Cal Retreat

(Pacific Northwest optional)

June 22nd -23rd, 2013

Location: UJCC; 136 N. Villa Ave. Clovis, CA 93612. (559) 322-0701.
Meeting will begin promptly at 12:00 PM on Saturday and will end after service on Sunday.
Attendance expected from all counselors, PNW optional.

Camp and Post-Camp

Junior High Camp: June 30th – July 5th, 2013

Camp Colby. Colby Ranch Road Angeles Ranch Road South Antelope Valley 93550

Post-Camp: July 5th-6th, 2013

Location: Faith UMC 2115 182nd Street Torrance California 90504. (310) 217-7000

Remember, attendance and participation at JHC 2013 meetings (that is, the All-Cal retreat, the West Coast Retreat, and every regional meeting respective to the region you are from), camp and post-camp are required. If you know of a conflict you must talk to the directors prior to the application deadline.

Please return form via snail mail (please **DO NOT** send via email) to:

CHECKLIST:

1. Counselor Application Form
2. Personal Information
3. Endorsement
4. Questions
5. Letter of recommendation

Mail: Justin Jue
K402
1231 E Colton Ave.
Redlands, CA 92374

JHC 2013 COUNSELOR APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Grade fall '13: _____

[The best number to reach you]

Address: _____

Circle the best way to reach you below:

email

or

phone

Home Church: _____

Confirmed Member of Your Church? Yes No

Preferred grade to counsel (1st choice – 3rd choice): _____, _____, _____

[incoming 6th graders through incoming 9th graders]

T-Shirt Size (Adult Sizes): S M L XL XXL

PASTOR or LAY LEADER ENDORSEMENT

I, _____, endorse/support this applicant's ability and qualifications to spiritually and effectively lead others at Junior High Camp 2013.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

(In addition to signing above, please attach a letter of endorsement.)

Name of 2nd Recommender: _____

Relationship to you: _____

QUESTIONS

Please type your responses

Please type your responses to the following questions fully and completely on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to your application.

- 1 How are you currently “actively participating” in your local church? What does “regular attendance” look like for you?
- 2 What are the gifts and graces that you bring to the counseling team? What expectations of the counselor role will be challenging for you?
- 3 One criteria of a JHC counselor is that they are “responsible and dedicated team workers”. Describe either how you have embodied these qualities or plan on embodying them in the future.
- 4 Describe past leadership experiences, and what are some qualities that you possess that would make you an effective leader?
- 5 What are your goals for counseling? What would you like the campers as well as yourself to get out of your counseling experience and camp? Why do you want to be a JHC Counselor?
- 6 Describe your faith journey this past year. How did you grow and what helped you grow? Where were you stuck? How do you think your participation in JHC will contribute to your faith growth? What is your relationship to God and why is it important to you?
- 7 What extracurricular commitments do you have going on this year? Is there anything that you can foresee that would conflict with your time commitment or dedication to JHC?
- 8 Program leadership is an important part of camp planning. We are looking for individuals who are interested, willing to take on an extra responsibility before and during camp, and have at least one year of camp experience to fill this role. To help us determine program leadership, please indicate if you have an interest in participating in the planning and implementation of any of the camp programs. Details will be discussed at the first All-Cal retreat. Please share why you are interested.

I have read, understood, and am willing to meet all of the requirements and criteria required to participate as a Junior High Camp counselor. I am aware that, even as a qualified applicant, I am not guaranteed a position as a Junior High Camp 2013 counselor. If at any point in time I am unable to meet the criteria and requirements stated above, the directing team can and will discern possible dismissal from being a counselor.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

I support my child in applying to be a Junior High Camp counselor. I have reviewed the requirements and dates involved and will do all I can to ensure full participation.

Applicant's Parent/Guardian Signature: _____