



# Resident Counselor (RC) Program

Association of Washington Student Leaders

*a division of the Association of Washington School Principals*

**An Advanced Leadership Opportunity for High School Leaders and College Students**

**The Opportunity** The Resident Counselor (RC) position is an important part of Middle Level Leadership Camp. Being an RC is an opportunity to:

- Serve middle level student leaders
- Test your leadership skills
- Gain practical teaching experience
- Work as a team with other student leaders from across the state
- Grow in positive, life-changing ways

**The Role of an RC** The RC staff works together with the adult staff (Team Counselors or TCs) to provide a positive leadership camp experience for all delegates. Your main duties as an RC will include:

- Supervising dorms and establishing positive community living spaces
- Creating an inclusive and safe camp environment
- Supporting the TCs as "teaching assistants" in the mixed delegate camp teams
- Promoting camp spirit through songs, skits and social activities
- Assisting with camp logistics
- Being an amazing role model

### **Application Deadline: May 1**

RCs are asked to work at just one of the camp sessions, though you may apply for more than one camp staff. You must mail a completed application packet to the director of each session for which you are applying.

**RC Training** The RC Training will be scheduled by each camp director. This training gives the RCs an opportunity to form a team, learn important leadership skills, and understand their specific camp role & duties.

Attending the RC Training for a camp session is critical to the success of the RCs at camp.

### **Middle Level Camp Sessions & RC Retreats**

#### ***Cispus Learning Center***

*Chinook:* Training Aug 3-4, Camp 5-8

*Columbia:* Training Aug 7-8, Camp 9-12

*Cascade:* Training Aug 11-12, Camp 13-16

#### ***Chewelah Peak Learning Center***

*Chewelah Peak:* Training Aug 6, Camp 7-10

### **About Middle Level Leadership Camp**

Middle Level Camp opened its door with one camp in 1993 and served 137 delegates. Today, more than 800 delegates representing over 200 schools from around the state attend one of the four middle level summer leadership camps.

The camp curriculum keeps the delegates active from breakfast (8:00 a.m.) until lights out (10:30 p.m.) Some of the activities at camp include: an idea share, elective classes, performance and public speaking skills, officer responsibility, organized recreation, project planning, sensitivity to others and goal setting.

### **Middle Level Camp Mission Statement**

*Middle Level Camp teaches and models lifelong leadership and social skills. The camp experience is inclusive, energizing, and structured. The curriculum and its emphasis on the experiential learning process encourage students to maximize their potential.*



# Resident Counselor (RC) Application

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**Completed applications must be postmarked or e-mailed by May 1**

Please sign up for one session.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: (m or f) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ College: \_\_\_\_\_

HS Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of any crime or violation of any law or are you presently under investigation for possible criminal charges?  Yes  No If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**Short Answer Questions:** On a separate sheet(s) of paper, please answer the following three questions:

- What is your interest in being an RC and what is your experience working with middle level kids (ages 11-14)?
- Briefly outline your experience in student activities and leadership.
- Teams at camp are sometimes named after an important leadership word (acceptance, commitment, compassion, cooperation, courage, determination, flexibility, foresight, humility, initiative, integrity, introspection, optimism, respect, responsibility, sensitivity, perseverance.) Pick one of these words and describe how you are a "role model" of that word?

**The Adviser Reference Form** must be completed by an adviser/teacher who knows of your qualifications. The reference form should be returned via direct mail or e-mail to each camp director by May 1. The reference form can also be sent to you to include with your RC Application packet.

### RC Participation Agreement:

If I am accepted as a Resident Counselor for a Middle Level Camp, I will commit to the following:

- Participate the entire session of camp, including the RC training prior to the delegates arrival
- Serve as an RC for only one session of camp unless agreed upon by each camp director involved

signature \_\_\_\_\_

date \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian Permission (If applying RC is younger than 18):** As the parent or guardian I give my permission for my child to attend Middle Level Leadership Camp at the Cispus Learning Center in Randle, or Chewelah Peak Learning Center in Chewelah, Washington.

signature of parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

date \_\_\_\_\_

Chinook Session	Columbia Session	Cascade Session	Chewelah Peak
August	August	August	August
3-4 RC Training, 5-8 Camp	7-8 RC Training, 9-12 Camp	11-12 RC Training, 13-16 Camp	6 RC Training 7-10 Camp
Randy Heath	Lana Yenne	Ruth Anderson	Dana Santos
Kent School District	Yelm MS	3420 North 22 <sup>nd</sup> St	Frontier MS
12033 SE 256th St A-300	PO Box 476	Tacoma, WA 98406-5804	517 West Third Ave
Kent, WA 98030	Yelm, WA 98597	rfanderson51@comcast.net	Moses Lake, WA 98837
randall.heath@kent.k12.wa.us	lanayenne@yahoo.com		dsantos@mlsd.wednet.edu



**Resident Counselor (RC) Reference**  
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**Please mail or e-mail this reference by May 1**

The applicant listed below is applying for a volunteer position as Resident Counselor (RC) for the Association of Washington Student Leaders' camps held annually at the Cispus Learning Center and the Chewelah Peak Learning Center. These camps, sponsored by the Association of Washington School Principals (AWSP), provide leadership growth opportunities for delegates and staff alike. Complete the reference below and submit it either by direct mail or e-mail to a camp director, or you can return it to the applicant to be submitted with their completed packet. If you have any questions contact, Susan Fortin, AWSP Director of Student Leadership at [susanf@awsp.org](mailto:susanf@awsp.org) or phone 360.497.5323. Thank you in advance for completing this important reference.

**Reference for** \_\_\_\_\_

Mark camp session applying for:     Chinook     Cascade     Columbia     Chewelah Peak

Please make a brief comment about the applicant's skills in each of the following areas:

- Reliability:
  
- Organizational skills:
  
- Ability to work with others:
  
- Leadership style or strength you think this candidate possesses:
  
- Other comments (optional):

**Name of reference:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title/Position:** \_\_\_\_\_ **School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Chinook Session</b>            August            3-4 RC Training, 5-8 Camp            Randy Heath            Kent School District            12033 SE 256th St A-300            Kent, WA 98030  <a href="mailto:randall.heath@kent.k12.wa.us">randall.heath@kent.k12.wa.us</a></p>	<p><b>Columbia Session</b>            August            7-8 RC Training, 9-12 Camp            Lana Yenne            Yelm MS            PO Box 476            Yelm, WA 98597  <a href="mailto:lanayenne@yahoo.com">lanayenne@yahoo.com</a></p>	<p><b>Cascade Session</b>            August            11-12 RC Training, 13-16 Camp            Ruth Anderson            3420 North 22<sup>nd</sup> St            Tacoma, WA 98406-5804  <a href="mailto:rfanderson51@comcast.net">rfanderson51@comcast.net</a></p>	<p><b>Chewelah Peak</b>            August            16 RC Training 7-10 Camp            Dana Santos            Frontier MS            517 West Third Ave            Moses Lake, WA 98837  <a href="mailto:dsantos@mlsd.wednet.edu">dsantos@mlsd.wednet.edu</a></p>
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# Junior Counselor/Resident Counselor Medical Form

Camp Session \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address or P.O. Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Female  Male  Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Day/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Other Than Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete the box below – If you are under the age of 18 a parent or guardian needs to complete it for you.**

<b>Responses Requested (If not applicable, write N/A or none)</b>	<b>Vegetarian meals?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Health/dietary concerns (Please list all known allergies, including allergies to medications & foods)	<b>Allergy to peanuts?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	<b>Airborne peanut allergy?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Current medications / taken for _____	Dosage & time of day _____
Can a health care professional provide over the counter medication? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restrictions _____
Restrictions from any type of activity? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No _____	Date of last tetanus shot _____
Special accommodations due to physical challenges? _____	

**Counselor Agreement:** If I am accepted as a Junior Counselor or a Resident Counselor, I agree to abide by all regulations established by the officials of the Washington Student Leadership Program and will commit to being a worthy representative by contributing my best efforts toward the success of the retreat/camp.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent or Guardian Permission:** As the parent or guardian I give my permission for my son/daughter to serve as a Junior Counselor or Resident Counselor for the Association of Washington Student Leaders (AWSL) at Cispus or Chewelah Peak Learning Center. By signing this form I give permission for photographs, slides or videos of my child to be used for information, publication, presentation or other educational purposes. I authorize AWSL to obtain medical care for my son/daughter in the event such care is necessary. In the event of an emergency every effort will be made to contact the parent(s) or guardian of the counselor. Permission is hereby granted to the licensed health care professional or accredited hospital and their associates to perform necessary medical and/or surgical procedures that are deemed essential to the treatment of the above named individual. I also agree to be responsible for the payment of such care.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Return Original To:**

Association of Washington Student Leaders  
2142 Cispus Road  
Randle, WA 98377

For questions or concerns please contact the Leadership office at 360-497-5323.