



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 5, Camp 6-9

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: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

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 can be sent with your RC Application packet, or returned by your adviser to the camp director(s) via direct mail or email by May 1.

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 _____

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

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