

Pilgrim Lodge

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Dear Counselor in Training,

Thank you for stepping up to this important role at Pilgrim Lodge. We're looking forward to our weekend together. Plan to arrive at camp, having already eaten supper between 6:30 and 7 pm on Friday June 10. If you need to arrive a bit later please let us know. You can ask your parents to pick you up Sunday afternoon, June 12 between 1 and 1:30 pm.

Attached to this email is a copy of the Pilgrim Lodge Counselor In Training Manual. Please print one of these out and read through it prior to the event and jot down any questions that come up in the margin. Be sure to bring it with you.

Other things to bring are the same things you'd bring for camp. A bathing suit, clothes for different types of weather (including rain), bathroom items, a sleeping bag and pillow, water bottle, flashlight, and be sure to bring a notebook and pen. Remember to leave your cell phones and electronic devices at home (you can do it!).

You need to have valid health forms on file. Health form 2 needs to be signed by a doctor. If you submitted a signed form 2 last year, we can pull that form 2. If you don't have time to get a signature by your doctor on form 2 by our weekend, it's OK, but you will absolutely need it by the time you are at your week of camp as a CIT or a camper. Do bring form 1 with a fresh parental signature on page one. The forms are below if you need them. Call if you have questions (724-3200).

Between now and the retreat be thinking about the role of CIT. What excites you? What is your biggest concern? What questions do you have? What ideas will you bring to your week at camp for interest groups and cabin activities? How is being a CIT different than being a camper?

Please respond to this email to let me know that you have received it and when you do, please let me know whether or not you are paired with a dean yet, and if so, which one. If you're not, we'll work on that when you're here.

Our co-deans for the week are Mollie Landers, who will be the Acting Director this summer and Joanne Barlett who has helped train CITs for many years at PL.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon,

Bryan, Mollie, & Joanne

Bryan Breault – Director of Outdoor Ministries; Mollie Landers-Acting Director; Joanne Bartlett -Outdoor Ministries Committee.