

2012 Camp Briarwood Counselor Application

Form A

NOTE: You must be 15 years or older by May 15, 2012 to apply as a Camp Briarwood Counselor.

- New applicants must complete and sign Forms A, B, C and Commitment to Serve.
Returning Counselors must complete and sign Forms A, C and Commitment to Serve.
Make a copy of all forms for yourself and turn in the original signed forms to:

The Quest Recreation Outreach Office, Briarwood Church, Room G-100 (above the gym)

OR mail to: Camp Briarwood, Attn: Counselor Applications, 2200 Briarwood Way, Birmingham, AL 35243

Have applications returned by Wednesday, April 25, 2012. Please note that Camp Directors will begin reviewing each application as soon as it is turned in. Don't miss out by waiting to apply!

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Name you go by: _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Your age during 2012 Camp _____

Social Security Number ____-____-____ Drivers License or Permit Number _____

FULL Home Address _____ Apt. # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Cell Phone # (____) _____ - _____ Home Phone # (____) _____ - _____

School You Attend _____ Grade (currently) _____ T-Shirt Size _____

Email Address _____ Date School is Out _____

Personal site address (website, blog, MySpace, Facebook, etc) _____

Church and Denomination where you are a member _____

Church and Denomination where you are active _____

PRIOR CAMP BRIARWOOD COUNSELOR EXPERIENCE:

- This is my first time to apply as a camp counselor.
I have been a paid counselor at Camp Briarwood in the past (please circle): 2011 2010 2009 2008
I have been a CIT (please circle): 2011 2010 2009 2008

CAMP(S) YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING THIS YEAR:

FIRST Choice (circle only one): Day Overnight Special Connections

SECOND choice (if you have) _____ THIRD choice (if you have) _____

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CAMP COUNSELOR TRAINING - MANDATORY

Absence from any or all of staff training must be approved by your camp director (Day, Overnight, Special Connections).

The actual counselor staff training schedule will be finalized closer to the time.

Day Camp

<u>Wednesday, June 6</u>	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Briarwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall)
<u>Thursday, June 7</u>	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Briarwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall)
<u>Friday, June 8</u>	Meet at church at 1:30 PM to go to Camp Hargis for spend-the-night. You will be back at the church no later than 2:00 PM on Saturday, June 9.

Overnight Camp

<u>Wednesday, June 6</u>	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Briarwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall)
<u>Thursday, June 7</u>	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (Briarwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall)
<u>Friday, June 8</u>	Noon – 9:00 PM (place TBA)
<u>Saturday, June 9</u>	Meet at church at Noon to go to Camp Chandler for spend-the-night training. You will attend church together Sunday a.m. in Wetumpka and back in Birmingham by 4:00 PM.

Special Connections Camp

Will follow same schedule as Day Camp counselor training.

All training sessions will be held at the Briarwood Church Fellowship Hall unless notified otherwise.

2012 CAMP SESSIONS – MARK THE CHECKBOX OF EACH SESSION YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO WORK

Day Camp

<i>Session</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Grades</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	June 11 - 15	1 st & 2 nd
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	June 25 - 29	2 nd & 3 rd
<input type="checkbox"/> 3	July 9 - 13	2 nd & 3 rd

Overnight Camp

<i>Session</i>	<i>Dates</i>	<i>Grades</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> A	July 16 - 21	4 th & 5 th
<input type="checkbox"/> B	July 23 - 28	6 th – 8 th

I am able to work all weeks checked above. All information I have given is accurate and complete.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

For additional information, call the Camp Briarwood Office: 776-5237.

** Remember to sign all application forms.*

** Be sure to make and keep a copy for yourself.*

NAME: _____

1. **Experience:** Describe previous camp counselor experience: when, where and what responsibilities you had.
(Previous experience not required).

Relate other experience working with children – when, where and what responsibilities:

2. **Skill Interest Inventory:** Rate yourself in the interests and skills listed below according to the degree of mastery. Please place appropriate number (1, 2, 3, or 4 level) beside each item.

- 1 = I have basic understanding of rules and skills involved so that I could participate in the activity.
- 2 = I have had special interest in and developed skills involved so that I could teach the basics or render limited service in that area.
- 3 = I am well qualified to teach or serve in this area.
- 4 = I am certified in this area.

Recreational Activities

- ___ ropes course
- ___ horsemanship
- ___ archery
- ___ riflery
- ___ swimming
- ___ canoeing
- ___ team sports
- ___ wilderness/camping
- ___ hiking
- ___ fishing
- ___ small children’s playground game
- ___ arts/crafts

Other Camp Jobs

- ___ play musical instrument: _____
- ___ leading songs
- ___ skits and dramatics
- ___ first aid
- ___ CPR
- ___ lifeguard
- ___ Bible study teacher
- ___ clerical (record keeping)
- ___ drawing/poster making
- ___ planning and organizing

List in order of preference the 3 areas in which you wish to serve most:

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

List other skills you have that might be useful in the camp program.

3. Testimony

A. Briefly write your testimony concerning your own relationship with Jesus Christ.

B. Are you willing to share your testimony with campers both individually and as a group? ___yes ___no

C. Briefly describe two recent evidences that God is working in your life & that you are growing spiritually.

4. References: Please list name, address and phone numbers of two adult references besides your parents who know you well. If possible include one who has observed you relating to or working with children.

1. Name _____ Address: _____

Phone _____ City/State/Zip _____

2. Name _____ Address: _____

Phone _____ City/State/Zip _____

5. Philosophy

A. Why do you think it is important to have a Christian camp?

B. Why do you want to work at Camp Briarwood?

C. Describe how you believe someone should relate to those in authority over them? On a scale of 1-10 (1=low, 10=high), rate your success in following this philosophy. Rating: _____

D. What is the purpose of one's relationship with the opposite sex?

E. What do you believe is appropriate and inappropriate behavior with the opposite sex? On a scale of 1-10 (1=low, 10=high), rate your success in following these standards. Rating: _____

F. What standards do you have for yourself in areas of entertainment?

Music – what kinds you will and won't listen to

TV and movies - hours per week spent watching; what kinds you do not allow yourself to see

Gaming – hours per week spent playing computer, video and internet games

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6. Theology

A. Who is Jesus Christ and what was His purpose on earth?

B. Explain briefly, but thoroughly, the plan of salvation as you would relate it to a camper.

C. Explain how a person can have assurance of salvation.

D. I have read, agree with and will uphold the Camp Briarwood Statement of Faith: _____ yes _____ no

If no, please explain

All information I have provided is accurate and complete.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Camp Briarwood Statement of Faith

1. God is one Being existing in three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God is the Sovereign, the Creator, and the Sustainer of all things. God is the source and end of all truth.
2. The Scriptures are the written Word of God, inerrant in their original writings, the infallible authority by which He directs and governs all activities. Both the Old and New Testaments reveal God's covenant of grace and are therefore applicable to believers today.
3. Jesus Christ is the eternal begotten Son of God, conceived by the Holy Spirit, and of the Virgin Mary, truly God, truly man. Through Christ's life, death, resurrection and ascension, He accomplished a decisive victory over sin for His people and established His Kingdom among men.
4. Man was created in the image of God as a rational, moral and spiritual being. Man sinned in Adam and fell with him in his first transgression. Man's fall affected him spiritually, intellectually and physically leaving him in a state of total depravity, that is he is utterly unable to remedy his lost condition. He is restored only by the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit and the cleansing blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. God is the initiator and completer of this work and is sovereign throughout both salvation and sanctification. Man's response to God's offer of salvation is repentance from sin and faith in the atoning work of Christ.
5. The Holy Spirit permanently indwells the believer beginning at salvation. The work of the Holy Spirit is to glorify Jesus Christ. To do this, He regenerates, enlightens, sanctifies, transforms and gives to believers what they need to serve Christ.
6. The Lord will return in glory and triumph for the final judgment and consummation of His Kingdom.

CONFIDENTIAL PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

The following information will be kept strictly confidential except to Quest Recreation Outreach staff members and Camp Briarwood Directors. If you prefer to answer these questions in a personal interview, please place a check mark here: _____

Health

- A. Is your general health and stamina: ___Poor ___Average ___Above Average ___Excellent
- B. Please describe any health problem or condition that could affect your workload, how well you could do your job or the time you work.

- C. Do you: smoke? ___ not at all ___ occasionally ___ frequently
 drink any alcoholic beverages? ___ not at all ___ occasionally ___ frequently
 use any type of non-prescription drug? ___ not at all ___ occasionally ___ frequently

- D. Do you take any prescription drugs? ___ no ___ yes, listed below.

Medication name: _____ Condition used for: _____

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If more, please add on an additional sheet.

Criminal Record

- Have you ever: received a citation other than a traffic ticket ___ no ___ yes
- been arrested..... ___ no ___ yes
- been convicted of any crime..... ___ no ___ yes
- accused of sexual harassment..... ___ no ___ yes
- accused of misconduct with a minor..... ___ no ___ yes

If yes to any of the above, please explain the situation and outcome:

All information I have provided is accurate and complete.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Commitment to Serve

NAME: _____

Through much consideration and prayer, I am applying to be part of the 2012 Camp Briarwood Staff. In ministering to children, I realize that I making a commitment that must take place in order to be fully effective in our work. I agree to the following statements and make a commitment to fulfill all responsibilities above and beyond what I am asked.

1. I will respect and abide by all policies and procedures of Camp Briarwood.
2. I will do what is asked of me and expected of me, as working unto the Lord.
3. I will seek to have Jesus Christ glorified in everything I do and be a Christ-like example to the children, counselors, and staff I will work with this summer.
4. I will be create an atmosphere where Christ will be talked about, where spiritual conditions will be determined, where sharing of Christ will take place, where leading an individual to Christ will be a natural desire.
5. I will lift up the Camp Briarwood staff in prayer throughout the summer and attempt to be aware of and sensitive to individual needs.
6. I will prepare my mind and body by spending daily time with the Lord and getting adequate rest, so that I might be effective and prompt for my daily responsibilities.
7. I will make my time with the children and counselors organized, creative, fun and edifying.
8. I will treat each individual as equally as possible and make each individual feel that they are a worthy addition to the group and program.
9. I will not use drugs (except proper dosage of those prescribed for me), alcohol, or tobacco during my time of employment with Camp Briarwood.
10. I will make no sexual or inappropriate advances of any sort toward any camper or fellow staff members at any time, or make innuendo or inappropriate gestures during any camp activity.
11. I will not do anything that may damage the name and witness of Jesus Christ, my employer Briarwood Presbyterian Church, my fellow Camp staff members or myself.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Counselor Position Hired for: _____

Session(s) & Date(s):

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____