



LEADERS IN TRAINING

Information Package





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Program Overview

LIT is our premier leadership program for individuals ages 16-17 by Dec. 31st. This five-week summer program is for teens committed to growing as servant leaders through challenging and life-changing experiences. The LIT program is a critical step on the Mini-Yo-We Leadership Pathway that equips youth with the skills to be a future leader at Camp and for all of life. LIT doesn't end at Camp – it also contains a year-round component to help youth continue to grow in their faith once they leave Camp. This includes ongoing communication, regular check-ins with their small group leaders and leadership weekends throughout the year.



PERSONAL DISCIPLESHIP

Living life to the fullest is only possible through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. We strive to assist LITs in their personal walk with Jesus in various ways through the program.

*Small Groups, Personal Reflection,
Worship, Teaching, 1-on-1 Mentorship,
Development of Spiritual Disciplines*



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

LITs are encouraged to develop as leaders who are servant hearted, good stewards of what is entrusted to them, and committed followers of Jesus throughout the five-week experience.

*Teaching, Discussion & Reflection, Outdoor
Adventure Experiences, Community Living,
Facilitating Camper Programs*



BIBLICAL TEACHING

We believe that the Word of God is the foundation of truth and are committed to using it as the basis for providing LITs with a biblical worldview for their personal lives.

*Discover the role you play in the big story
God is writing through history by defining
and sharing our own journey of faith.*



PRACTICAL SKILLS

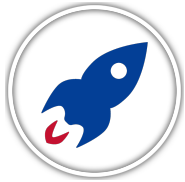
We believe that a practical skill set equips LITs with abilities that will help them at Camp and beyond! We aim to teach LITs new skills and how to teach those skills to others.

*Outdoor Adventure, Personal
Responsibility, Team Leadership, Program
Facilitation, Care of Younger Campers*



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KICK-OFF WEEKEND

3 DAYS

MAY

Held during the May-long weekend LITs get to meet each other and their small group leaders. This is an opportunity to begin building friendship and calibrate expectations for the program. LITs will engage in teaching seminars, small group exercises and work through some material mailed to them in advance.



SKILLS TRAINING

5 DAYS

JUNE

Experience an overview of Camp activities, develop new skills, and learn how to help guide our campers during their time at Camp. This practical training provides LITs with foundational skills to be further developed during in-service weeks and future years on our Summer Staff team.



LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

5 DAYS

JUNE

An opportunity for LITs and Summer Staff to learn from a wide-variety of leadership opportunities including team-building initiatives, world-class speakers, workshops, and more. We also cover seminars on working with campers, camp policies, and Q&A sessions with our team.



LEADERSHIP INTENSIVE

8 DAYS

JUL/AUG

LITs spend an intensive two weeks of leadership focussed training which includes teaching with guided practice, discussion, reflection, and activities. A 4-day adventure into Algonquin Park is included in this period (see below), including training, preparation, and debriefing.



LIT CANOE TRIP

4 DAYS

JUL/AUG

Outdoor training and a 4-day canoe trip in northern Ontario is central to every LIT's experience. This highly anticipated part of the program offers incredible opportunities for campers to grow in community. LITs are challenged to develop new skills, face the outdoors and lead various aspects of this outdoor adventure.



SERVICE WEEKS

21 DAYS

JUL/AUG

LITs are paired with a senior cabin leader and help lead in our camper cabins for children ages 5-15. This is the time to put their newly developed skills, leadership training, and outdoor experience to use while continuing to be poured in to and evaluated by our lead staff and summer camp directors.



WINTER REUNION

2 DAYS

NOV

LITs are invited back to Camp in November for a weekend to reconnect with their friends and small group leaders. Our team will debrief how things have gone since the summer, how the school year has begun, and encourage leaders in their faith.



ALL-YEAR MENTORSHIP



LEADERSHIP WEEKEND

2 DAYS

SPRING

Year-round mentorship is an important part of LIT! This includes ongoing communication, regular check-ins from small group leaders, and more!

The Leadership Weekend happens the following spring and is an opportunity to support and challenge LITs as they live out their faith as leaders in their communities back home.



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Dates & Rates

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LITs are being split into two cohorts for Summer 2021. The first cohort is for teens that planned to attend LIT in Summer 2020 and deferred their application to 2021. Cohort two is for teens ages 16-17 by December 31, 2021 that did not apply for the program in Summer 2020. If you applied for LIT for Summer 2020 and want to join the first cohort, simply contact our team at info@miniyowe.com to get signed up and set up a payment plan - there is no need to apply a second time online.

Note that both sessions attend our all-team training from June 24 to July 3 in addition to the weeks listed below.

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6	WEEK 7	WEEK 8
COHORT 1 (2020 LITs) June 24 – July 3 AND July 4-31 \$2,250				COHORT 2 (2021 LITs) June 24 – July 3 AND August 1-28 \$2,250			

Extra Services

The cost of LIT covers the needs of your child including food and accommodation. Extra services are listed below and can be added to the cost at any time.

LAUNDRY LITs receive a laundry bag and laundry service each Saturday.	Included
SKILLS WEEK LITs are taught a skill elective during skills week.	Included
BUS TRANSPORTATION Campers can take the bus to Camp. Pick-up and drop-off is in Barrie or Woodbridge. Get tickets at www.campmyw.com/bus .	\$70 (one way)
TUCK MONEY LITs will have the opportunity to visit the tuck shop during their stay at Camp. We recommend \$150 for the 6 weeks in the summer.	\$150+



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Application Process

Step #1 | Applications

Application: www.campmyw.com/register

The application includes questions for both the applicant and their parents. An email confirming that your application has been received will be automatically be sent after applying. Applications received first will receive priority in both the acceptance and placement into either session. ***We require an email for each LIT as future communication will include both LITs and their parents.***



APPLY ONLINE!

Our online application process doesn't take long and lets you to secure your spot! Go to campmyw.com/apply

Step #2 | Interviews

Interviews: www.campmyw.com/lit-interview

In the email you receive after applying is a website where **you need to set up an interview time slot** with our team. Phone interviews are casual and are an opportunity for us to get to know you and why you want to join the LIT program.



QUESTIONS?

If you have any questions about the application process please let us know!

lit@miniyowe.com
705-385-2629

Step #3 | References

In order to be accepted to LIT **we require for 3 references be completed**. References include but are not limited to a pastor, teacher, employer or volunteer leader. After you apply we will send you a secure link that **you will need to send to your references** for them to complete online.



DON'T WAIT!

Leadership programs fill up quickly! **LIT fills up quickly** and we don't want you to miss out! Apply today to get started.

Step #4 | Acceptance

Once your interview has been completed and we have reviewed your three references, our team will notify you of your updated application status.



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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What if a teen is unable to attend a portion of the program. Are they still able to participate?

We give first priority to applicants who are able to attend all components of the LIT program. The community developed over the five weeks is unique and missing portions of the training and leadership development hinders an LIT from reaching their full potential. In the unique circumstance that an exemption is required please email lit@miniyowe.com.

Q. Can my child receive community service hours for participation in LIT?

Yes! Campers can claim up to 120 hours for serving as a co-leader in a camper cabin during their service weeks. A letter will be sent to you confirming your hours in the Fall!

Q. My child has never gone on a canoe trip before. Is there any training to ensure that all LITs have a positive experience on the 4-day trip?

Absolutely. Many of our LITs have gone through various tripping programs but many have not and we recognize that. All LITs are given a detailed packing list before arriving to Camp to ensure they have the necessary equipment for the trip.

Skills and safety training is also provided so that LITs know how to portage a canoe, set up a tent, prepare trip meals, and operate in a safe manor outdoors. Small group leaders that lead trips are experienced leaders and each trip has a lifeguard present. They also carry GPS signaling devices so we can track their progress and locate them in the event of a serious emergency.

Q. Is there financial aid available for the LIT program?

YES! Please don't let finances hold you back from applying. We have donors who have provided sponsorship resources to help you get to LIT. Reach out to lit@miniyowe.com for more information.