



Dear Tapawingo Camper,

CC: Parents,

I hope that you are adjusting well into the routine of fall!

My purpose in this letter is to tell you more about the CIT Program and explain the application process. I am praying that we will have a great group of young women in 2019!

The CIT Program plays a vital role in the mission of Tapawingo. As campers, you have been poured into for many years and this program begins to give participants a vision of what goes on behind the scenes at Tapawingo. It marks a shift toward servant-leadership. Even at the age of 16 or 17, participants can be part of that vision – abiding in Christ, sharing the gospel, pouring into the lives of others, giving back, and leaving this place better equipped to serve our Lord Jesus Christ and His kingdom.

The pattern I have seen of CITs who are teachable and willing to go “all in” is that they are able to “feed themselves,” and find a more enduring walk with God throughout the year. In many ways, I believe they are better prepared to enter college, having come away with tools, deep friendships and godly mentors.

This past summer we reaped the benefits of having sixteen staff members who previously participated in the CIT program. Some of our most excellent staff members have been former CITs. After all, these are campers who were changed by Tapawingo themselves and want to give back.

I want to emphasize that the CIT Program is different from being a camper. It is intense. If accepted, on two separate occasions, you will be in the woods for up to 5 days. Much will be demanded of you physically (you will be expected to come into the program physically fit – able to run 3 miles in 30 minutes without stopping 3 times/week). You will be pushed, stretched, challenged and encouraged in servanthood. You will also spend a week directly shadowing a cabin and/or helping in the kitchen. I believe that if you commit to being all in this program will help you to deepen and strengthen your walk with Christ.

To apply, please visit our website: <http://www.camp-of-the-woods.org/#/tapawingo/cit-program>.

Completed CIT Applications and References are due by Monday October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

I’m looking forward to continuing this process with you!

Sincerely,

Miss Joy Huseland

Tapawingo Director