



Dear Student,

I hope this letter finds you well as you begin what has the potential to be one of the most enjoyable and rewarding years of your life. High school will undoubtedly produce a lot of great memories that will last a lifetime. High school will also provide you the opportunity to make many important decisions, such as where to go to college, where you will live, in which clubs and organizations you want to get involved and if you want to play college sports.

We would like to suggest a possible opportunity for the upcoming summer, that of serving at Camp OTX as a **Ranger**. Serving as a Ranger is both hard work and rewarding. You will have a lot of fun and form lasting relationships. You will work and serve together with others as a team, learning to fully depend on God when physically and emotionally exhausted.

Description

The role of a **Ranger** is unique. Rangers are no longer campers, yet their role also differs from that of a staff member. Rangers serve behind the scenes in a variety of ways, and have the opportunity to see what having a heart of a servant is really like. Additionally, Rangers.s have the opportunity to assist and learn from some great Camp OTX counselors, both by serving as Assistant Coaches during Team Competition and by being placed with a specific cabin to hang out with and get to know during free time. Rangers have a lot of late nights and early mornings, but work alongside a like-minded group of peers, forming relationships, and creating many great memories. Although the position of Ranger is not a paid position, almost all participants leave feeling a strong sense of accomplishment and the satisfaction of knowing they made a difference.

Rangers are expected to serve with a Christ-centered mentality. Serving others by having Christ as the focus directly impacts the campers, ultimately contributing to their Camp OTX experience. Although Rangers.s serve primarily “behind the scenes” and may not get much recognition for their efforts, Rangers help Camp OTX, through their service and hard work, to give each camper the best experience possible.

Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible to serve as a Ranger, you must meet the following condition: **You must be 15 years or older BEFORE Summer 2021.** If you have any questions regarding your eligibility for the Ranger Program, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Ormiston or the Camp OTX office.

When To Work

The Ranger Program is designed to be a 4-week program. Camp OTX operates three two-week sessions during the summer, and L.I.T.s generally work for two consecutive sessions. In certain situations, it may be possible to work less than two full sessions or up to three sessions. **Be advised, however, that those individuals who cannot work two full sessions (four weeks) may have a reduced chance of being offered a position.**

How To Apply

To apply for an Ranger position, simply complete the online application. Once we receive your application we will contact you to arrange a **phone interview**. **PLEASE DO NOT SIGN UP FOR A STAFF INTERVIEW.** When filling out the application, please be thorough so your application is not delayed. Take note, based on past experience the following is a list of the most common mistakes people make when completing Ranger applications. Avoiding these mistakes will help ensure your application is processed in a timely fashion:

1. **Failing to provide complete references** We cannot hire any person without first checking on references. Make sure that you include full names and email addresses.
2. **Failure to indicate the session(s) for which you are applying** Please make sure you clearly indicate these sessions. Failure to do so will delay your application.

We hope this short letter has sparked some interest for your summer plans. Please know that if you would like to apply for Ranger position, you should apply as soon as possible. If you are selected and asked to serve in our Ranger program, the sessions of your choice will be on a first come, first serve basis.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and please feel free to e-mail or call with any questions.

God Bless,

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