



Welcome to the 2026 Camp Season!

My name is Scott Kaplan and I am the CIT Director. This will be my 37th year in the camping industry and my energy to work with our new group of CITS is just as high as my first year. Being involved in this program is a special experience. The CIT program prepares young adults for future leadership roles working with children in camps and other professional settings. Participants develop leadership, team-building, and communication skills, and are asked to be role models to campers by exhibiting positive leadership and behaviors. They are positive role models within our camp community, and should help foster community and a love of Camp.

CITs are assigned an activity or role to assist in each week. CITs both assist and learn the ins and outs of leading and managing a group or an activity. In essence, they are apprentices, training to become masters (counselors or specialists) in the future. We truly feel that the CIT program is great opportunity to learn new skills in a camp setting while also having fun with their peers!

So are you ready to be a CIT? Here is an important piece of information as you enter the program: CITS must enjoy working with children, embrace and work with the fun and challenge of intense community living, be willing to take initiative and work hard, be willing to give up many personal freedoms and comforts, display outstanding character, and be enthusiastic, creative and self-directed leaders. After reading this statement, if we are describing you, then the JCC CIT program is the right place for the summer!

JCC Rockland Camps will be hosting an information session/orientation for all registered CITs on Sunday, June 7th from 2:00pm to 3:00 pm. We will send a reminder as we get closer to this date.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, skaplan905@gmail.com. Summer 2026 is going to be awesome!

Scott Kaplan

