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**Leader-In-Training Program
Sheridan County YMCA**

417 N Jefferson St. Sheridan, WY 82801
(307)-674-7488

Dear Leader-In-Training Applicant:

The Sheridan County YMCA offers a leadership program to young people ages 13-15. The LIT program is a goal that many campers strive for and our camp is proud to offer this opportunity to you.

LITs are admired and respected by the younger campers and our camp staff for their commitment in working to become better leaders and members of the camp community.

The LIT program is designed to provide the skills, knowledge and experience to effectively interact with individuals and lead groups. The Y's values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility are emphasized throughout this program. LITs that show maturity, enthusiasm, responsibility and initiative may be invited to be a junior counselor position at age 15.

Included in this packet is a list of camp dates you will be scheduled for, the LIT application form and one reference form. Your reference should be an individual who knows you well and isn't a relative. This individual (teacher, minister, neighbor, guidance counselor) should be willing to provide you with a reference verifying your work with children and that you are of good character. Please have your reference emailed (aknight@sheridanymca.org) or mail their reference letter directly back to our day camp coordinator, Tatum Thelander, at the YMCA address listed above. Camp training will be on June 2nd.

We are pleased to work with young leaders who are mature, responsible and eager to participate as part of the Y family.

Sincerely,

Alicia Knight
Sr Director of Youth

PLEASE RETURN BY May 26th, 2025



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What is our Leader-in-Training program?

The Leader-in-Training program is a leadership program designed to provide individuals with the skills and knowledge to interact with others and lead groups of all ages. Personal discipline such as responsibility, patience, punctuality, thoroughness, and persistence are developed and nurtured during the summer. LITs will be able to interact with younger campers and gain valuable experience in a supportive environment.

Program Goals:

The goal of the Sheridan County YMCA LIT program is to provide leadership training for youth. Emphasis is placed on the Y's values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. Participation in camp activities will help teens feel confident in the knowledge, experience, and leadership skills needed to apply for a future position of camp leader or become active leaders in their community.

Leader-in-Training Application

Name_____

Address_____

Phone_____

Birthdate_____

Certifications – Please mark current, expired or need to be certified

First Aid_____CPR_____

What grade are you currently in?

Volunteer or work experience:

Please list the two most recent volunteer or work experiences.

Date	Position held	Supervisor	Supervisor Phone #
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_____	_____	_____	_____
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Give a brief description of your experiences with children.

What do you feel you'd bring (strengths, attributes) to the LIT program?

How can you help a camper have a positive experience at camp?

How will you show the YMCA's core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility during a week at camp?

What are your expectations from this leadership experience?

Applicant's signature

Date

Thank you for your interest in becoming an LIT. Please turn in your application at the front desk or email aknight@sheridanymca.org and we will contact you to schedule an interview. Any questions? Call Alicia at the YMCA (307)-674-7488

Parent/Guardian

I give my son/daughter permission to apply for the Leader-in-Training program at the Sheridan County YMCA. If selected, I will support them in reaching the program's goals.

Parent's Signature

Date

2025 CAMP DATES

You will be scheduled to work during the following camp dates. While you will be asked to work a minimum of one week, there will be opportunities to work multiple weeks. Please circle the camps where you are available to work.

Day Camp	Adventure Club	Backyard
June 6-9	June 6-16	June 23-27
June 16-20	June 30- July 3	July 21-25
July 14-18	July 14-17	July 28- Aug 1
Aug 4-8		

We will work hard at providing the weeks you specify, but all weeks may not be available due to other LITs' needs.



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Reference for *(applicant's name)*:

Given by *(your name)*:

Print Name

Signature

Date

The person listed above has applied to the Leader-in-Training Program at the Sheridan County YMCA Camp for the coming season. This person has given your name as a reference for this program.

Please give careful consideration to the ratings on the next page.

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity? _____

Objectives Ratings	E x c e l l e n t	G o o d	A v e r a g e	P o o r
How well is the applicant able to lead others under the guidance of a supervisor?				
How well does this individual work with associates and others?				
How does this person react to suggestions or criticisms by others?				
How responsible is the applicant? Is he/she able to competently get things done on his/her own?				
How well does the applicant complete a given task when he/she is working with associates and others?				
How well does the individual put his/her principles and convictions to action?				
How well does the person apply energy and persistence in following a job through?				
How well does the applicant control emotions?				

Additional comments: