

# High School /Young Adult Volunteer Application: VBC Counselor

VBC 2010 Mon-Fri AUGUST 2-6 8:15 AM-12:15 PM

**APPLICATION DUE: MAY 24<sup>th</sup> COST: \$10 (T-Shirt + Hat)**

Submit Application, \$10 Fee & Parent Signatures  
(Checks Payable to St. Justin Parish)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Email: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in Fall: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle T-shirt Size: YL AS AM AL AXL

## PART 1: APPLICATION (to be filled in by youth volunteer)

St. Justin's VBC team is thrilled that you are applying to be a Counselor for Vacation Bible Camp. You will represent the beliefs of the program and be a model and encourager to the children, ready to help them in their search for God and His love. This should be your primary reason for wanting to be a Counselor. Please answer the following questions.

1. **What experience do you have working with children and how could you show children God's love & what it means to be a Catholic Christian?**

\_\_\_\_\_

2. **What gifts & talents do you bring to VBC & how can they be used to make this a great week for the kids?**

\_\_\_\_\_

**If I could work in any area of VBC (crew aide, Bible stories, games, crafts, Chadder station, preschool, snack), I would choose:**

1st: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to work in (# in order): Pre/K \_\_\_ Grades 1-3 \_\_\_ Grades 4-6 \_\_\_ Any Age Is Fine \_\_\_\_\_

## PART 2: Participation and Behavioral Agreement

I/my child \_\_\_\_\_ want(s) to be a youth volunteer for VBC. We understand this is a privilege and not a right. If the supervising VBC staff decides the above-named student is not able to serve in light of the "Questions to Consider," or for other inappropriate behavior, we understand that he/she will be asked to leave the program for this year. An adult staff member would discuss this with both the student and the parent should this situation occur.

**Student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Parent:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Authorization:** California Civil Code 25.8 provides that a parent/guardian may authorize an adult into whose custody their child(ren) is(are) entrusted, to consent to necessary medical treatment. Pursuant to these provisions, I (we) the undersigned do hereby authorize St. Justin Parish to procure medical, or hospital care for the above named child(ren) in the event of injury or illness while the child(ren) is(are) participating in Vacation Bible Camp at St. Justin Parish. It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific care required but is given to provide consent to diagnosis, treatment, or hospital care which a physician may in the exercise of his/her best judgment deem advisable. The undersigned will assume financial responsibility for any care so procured.

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Photo Release:** I hereby give St. Justin Parish permission to use photographs taken during VBC of my child(ren), in all forms and media, and in all matters including composite representation for lawful purposes. No camper personal identifiers will be used. I waive my right to inspect or approve the finished version(s), including written copy that may be created in connection therewith.

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

I DO NOT GIVE PERMISSION for photograph(s) of my child(ren), to be used.

**Any Health Issues / Allergies?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Doctor's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

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## HELLO PARENTS & TEENS!

Youth volunteers fill a critical role at Vacation Bible Camp. They are great role models for the children and tremendous help to the adult leaders. VBC would not be the same without them. There are a few things that we want you to understand about being a Counselor.

As an older teen volunteer you are a leader. You will be a good example for our younger teens as well as for the campers. Your enthusiastic participation, maturity, and responsible attitude will set the tone for the week. To help you achieve these goals, you will be assigned an adult mentor & a counselor in training (CIT) to mentor.

It is important for you to realize that though some of you are not yet adults, we expect you to act more like an adult than a child. You will be expected to fulfill your job without constant supervision. You will be willing to help the adults in charge of you meet VBC needs, however you're needed. You will want the children around you to learn a lot and have a great time, and that will be your top priority.

*For the job of a Counselor, we ask you, parents and student, to consider the following questions . . .*

- **Does the student have a sincere desire to help children know more about Jesus?**
- **Does the student desire to serve (give to) more than be served (get from) the program?**
- **Can the student handle and be entrusted with a 4-hour stretch of independence; doing what is expected of him/her without adult intervention for correction?**
- **Does the student have the maturity to rise above immature behavior going on around him/her and to set a good example or help correct a difficult situation--not be a part of it?**
- **Will the student be *On Time and Ready to Participate* each day that he/she is scheduled to help?**

If this is the right fit for the student's personality, talents, and readiness to take on responsibility, please join us in this ministry! We hope you have a lot of fun at VBC, and join in all the high-energy worship, games, and music. There will be snacks to enjoy during your breaks.

## KEY DATES for VBC COUNSELORS

High School/Young Adult Registration	April 5 – May 24 (Don't miss the deadline!)
<b>ALL Volunteer Orientation Meeting (Teen's too!)</b>	<b>June 20 – Sunday (2:00 – 3:30 PM) in PMC</b>
<b>ALL Volunteer Start-up Meeting &amp; FINAL STATION SET-UP</b>	<b>JULY 31 – SATURDAY (2 - 3:30 PM)</b>
VBC Blessing Mass	August 1 - Sunday 9 AM Mass
VBC Week	Mon Aug 2 – Fri Aug 6 (8:15 AM – 12:15 PM)
CIT & Counselor Tear down/Party	August 6 – Friday (Noon – 2:30 PM)

**Attendance is expected at all events,**