



## 2026 Camp Reed Junior Counselor Application Guide

Junior Counselors (JCs) volunteer for 1-2 weeks each summer supporting campers, assisting with camp activities and operations, and working alongside camp staff in a leadership role.

**All communication regarding the JC program must come directly from the applicant.**

### HOW TO APPLY

#### 1. Visit Our Website

- [ymcainw.org/camp-reed/junior-counselors/](http://ymcainw.org/camp-reed/junior-counselors/)
- All application materials can be found here

#### 2. Submit Application Packet

- Download and complete the [2026 JC Application Packet](#)
- Submit by mail, email, or in person:  
YMCA Camp Reed | 1126 N Monroe St,  
Spokane, WA 99201 | [campreed@ymcainw.org](mailto:campreed@ymcainw.org)

#### 3. Submit 3 References

- Share the online reference link (found on the website) with three references who know you well and follow up to ensure completion
- Only one reference should be a family member
- Application remains incomplete until all three references are received

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

#### Food Handler's Permit

- Washington State permit required for all JCs
- Link to class from SRHD on Camp Reed website
- Email to Camp Reed as soon as completed

#### Health History

- Health history forms through CampDoc required for all JCs
- Instructions sent with week assignments

### KEY DEADLINES

#### Priority Application Deadline: Feb 27, 2026 - 5pm

- Applications received prior to this deadline will be given priority scheduling

- Extra priority given for those entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade

#### Final Application Deadline: April 30, 2026 - 5pm

### WEEK ASSIGNMENTS

Emailed **March 23** for priority applicants. Later applicants will receive their assignments on a rolling basis.

### PRE-CAMP TRAINING

Required training includes JC roles, child development, cabin management, mission emphasis, work area training, child abuse prevention, and a program overview.

#### Option A (highly recommended): JC Weekend at Camp Reed – Friday May 8-Saturday May 9

- Overnight retreat that includes training and team bonding

#### Option B: Make-Up Training at YMCA Association Office – Wednesday May 20, 5:00-6:30pm

- Required if unable to attend JC Weekend
- \*\*RSVP to your preferred option on first page of application\*\***

**The Mission of Camp Reed is to enhance personal growth, Christian values and a sense of community in a safe wilderness setting. Through active participation in unique challenges and new relationships, Camp Reed transforms ideals into lasting behaviors.**