Leader in Training Application

Application for the Summer of: _____
Year

Name: _____ ___ **Male** ___ **Female**
First MI Last

Date of Birth: _____ **Current Grade Level:** _____

LIT applicants must be between their sophomore and junior year of high school.

Address: _____
Street Address

_____
City, State, Zip

Applicant Phone: _____ _____
Home Phone Cell Phone

Email: _____ _____
Applicant Email Parent Email

Parents: _____
Father's Name Daytime Phone

_____
Mother's Name Daytime Phone

Please List Custodial Parent: _____
Both/Mother/Father/Other

Have you been to Rawhide Ranch before? ___ Yes ___ No **T-Shirt Size (unisex)** _____

If yes, give date of most recent visit: _____

Please list any ranks achieved at Rawhide Ranch:

_____

QUESTIONS: ***Please answer the following questions as thoroughly as possible.***

Please tell us what you do with your time outside of school.

Share your experience working with youth.

Please share an experience where you learned "on the job." What was a pro and con of learning this way for you?

In what ways do you see yourself as a leader? Explain.

What has been your biggest challenge so far this school year and how are you addressing it?

REFERENCE:

- Please list **two people,** not related to you, who know you well. These people should have knowledge to speak on your work ethic, previous care giving responsibilities with children and on behalf of your character. Examples might include an employer, coach, mentor, religious leader, etc. Close friends of the family and Rawhide staff are not the best option or sufficient for our purposes. The Rawhide staff is given the opportunity to share any recommendations or concerns based on prior camp attendance before any final decisions are made.
- You will need to give them a reference form to complete.
- They will need to **mail** it directly to Rawhide Ranch, Attention LIT Program, 6987 W. Lilac Road, Bonsall, CA 92003 **or email** to deeann@rawhideranch.com.
- Be sure your references know the **deadline date of February 28th**.
- You must also have your parents or guardian fill out the parent/guardian reference form in order to be considered for the LIT program. This may be turned in with your application.

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Your relationship to this reference: _____

Name: _____ Phone number: _____

Your relationship to this reference: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: ***Please answer each question with a yes or no.***

_____ I am available for the LIT program from July 12 to 31, 2026.

_____ I am aware there is a fee of $2,068 associated with the program.

_____ I am aware and understand that I may not be selected for this program.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Applicant Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Teaching Skills for the LIT/ CIT Programs

Please rate your ability to teach or assist in the following classes and electives by circling the number most accurately matching your ability.

1 Would like to learn to teach.

2 Can assist in teaching.

3 Can teach or lead a class.

o Western Riding	1	2	3
o Vaulting	1	2	3
o Horse Science	1	2	3
o Animal Science	1	2	3
o Archery	1	2	3
o Riflery	1	2	3
o Crafts	1	2	3
o Dance (Jazz, Hip Hop, Country)	1	2	3
o Drama	1	2	3
o Driver's Education	1	2	3
o Sports	1	2	3
o Roping	1	2	3
o Climbing Wall	1	2	3
o Nature Study	1	2	3

List any other Teaching Skills you may have that may be applicable to our program.

_____	1	2	3
_____	1	2	3

Please share anything else you feel would be beneficial for Rawhide to know. _____

_____

_____

_____

Parent/Guardian Reference Form for _____

Applicant Name

Please answer the following questions.

What strength has your child developed through practice and commitment?

What is an area of weakness for your child that has the potential for growth in this program?

Share a recent time when your child intentionally put someone else's need(s) ahead of their own.

Share any concerns you might have regarding your child working closely with children in a mentoring role.

Please keep in mind not everyone who applies will be selected to participate. We appreciate your assistance in helping your child navigate through the possible outcomes of this process.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Printed Name: _____

Reference Form

Applicant's Name: _____

Name of person completing this form: _____

Relationship to the applicant: _____

How long have you known the applicant: _____

The applicant listed above is applying for a leadership position at a summer camp called Rawhide Ranch. We appreciate your time and effort in completing this form to the best of your knowledge. It will be of great assistance to us as we consider the applicant for a leadership position in camp requiring the applicant to take on a role of serving others and being a leader among younger campers and their peers. **This form needs to be returned to Rawhide Ranch by February 28th.** Please mail to Rawhide Ranch, Attention LIT Program, 6987 W. Lilac Road, Bonsall, CA 92003 or email to deeann@rawhideranch.com.

Evaluation:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	N/A	Comments
Judgement/Common Sense					
Organization					
Work Ethic					
Leadership Ability					
Attitude					
Responsibility					
Communication/Listening Skills					
Relationship with Peers					
Problem Solving					
Open to Feedback and Growth					
Ability to Work with Children					
Integrity					
Punctuality					

Please answer the following questions in as much detail as possible. Your comments help us with our selection process. Feel free to use an additional sheet of paper if needed.

In what area does the applicant truly shine?

What behaviors could this individual change to be more effective?

Do you see the applicant as a leader? Please describe a time they took on a leadership role.

Please share any concerns you might have regarding the applicant being a positive role model and working with younger children and their peers.

Reference's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please mail to Rawhide Ranch, Attention LIT Program, 6987 W. Lilac Road, CA 92003
or email to deeann@rawhideranch.com.