

DISCOVER INDIA SUMMER CAMP

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

(Rising high school students)

July 16-20, 2018, 8.30am - 4pm

Please submit your completed application to discoverindianashville@gmail.com. Applications are due by **APRIL 15th**. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Acceptances will be emailed to you by MAY 1st.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE VOLUNTEER

Name:

Address:

Cell#:

Email:

T-shirt size:

School:

Year of Graduation:

VOLUNTEER PARENT INFO:

Name(s):

Cell:

Email:

Do you have any summer plans that could interfere with your participation in camp?

Have you attended the Discover India Camp before? If yes, as a camper or as a volunteer.

If you answered yes above, what are two of your favorite memories from DI Summer Camp?

Why is volunteering for Discover India Camp important to you?

If you were given 30 minutes to plan an activity for a group of 3rd graders, what would you do? Please share a detailed outline for the half hour.

Read the following descriptions of volunteer roles available during Camp. Only RANK the ones that interest you. (1 being the highest rank)

___ **Counselor:** Managing a group of 6-8 campers. This includes communicating with parents, engaging campers in activities during free time, supervising them during classes,

___ **Before & After-care Counselor:** Managing a group of 6-8 campers from 7:30-9:00am and/or 4:00-5:30pm. Babysitting certification preferred. Paid position.

___ **7th and 8th Grade Counselor:** In addition to the responsibilities listed above, the 7th/8th grade counselors teach and lead discussions on a designated topic, develop their own lesson plans and manage the 7th/8th grade schedule. This job requires experience in DI camp as a camper and as a volunteer for at least one year each. While there is more flexibility and freedom offered to this age group, the counselor is expected to maintain the structure and follow through on all projects assigned to this group. Competence with utilizing technology for presentations is required.

___ **Teacher:** Teaching a class or two daily on an assigned topic and being a cooperative member of the teaching team. All outlines will be due by June 1st and full presentations (PowerPoint, activities, and handouts) must be completed and turned in by July 1st for review.

___ **Games/Activities Counselor:** Plan and supervise Indian games both indoor and outdoor. Learn some games ahead of time and be knowledgeable about the rules. Be prepared

to teach these games to small and large groups of campers during camp. Ideas for games must be submitted by June 1st and detailed plans must be submitted for review by July 1st.

___ **Club Lead & Counselor:** Plan and supervise afternoon clubs offered at the camp. You must be available every afternoon on all days of the camp. Check clubs of interest from the following;

- ___ Arts & Crafts Club
- ___ Vedic Math Club
- ___ Yoga
- ___ Bollywood Dance Club
- ___ Festivals of India Club
- ___ Drama Club
- ___ All Other Clubs (TBD)

If you have suggestions to start a club, please describe them below. Ideas for clubs with preliminary details must be submitted along with this application and if approved, detailed plans must be submitted for review by July 1st.

Describe preliminary plans for clubs chosen above:

Please note that all applications will be considered but not every volunteer will be asked to participate in the full week of Camp. Some will be given half days or specific full days in an effort to include as many interested volunteers as possible.

I am available for

- ___ full days
- ___ half days (morning)
- ___ half days (afternoon)
- ___ Monday
- ___ Tuesday
- ___ Wednesday
- ___ Thursday
- ___ Friday

Read and initial the following statements.

___ I understand that volunteering for Discover India Summer Camp is a privilege and responsibility.

___ I understand that parents send their kids to this camp for a fee and that they expect themed activities in a structured, age appropriate, and professional environment.

___ I understand that Discover India Camp is structured to keep campers busy and engaged. If I am bored and have nothing to do, it is my responsibility to keep myself busy with appropriate

and self-initiated activities (reading, crafts, test prep, temple service). I understand that it is not appropriate for me to distract peers/campers or to disrupt the camp structure.

___I understand that if chosen to be a volunteer for Camp that I will be expected to attend meetings.

___I have read the Code of Conduct with at least one of my parents.

CODE OF CONDUCT
(Written by former DI CAMP volunteers)

- Show respect towards others, adults and children alike.
- Always abide by the guidelines and expectations that Camp Directors share with you
- Understand that being a volunteer has its own self-understood responsibilities and that you are setting the example for other volunteers and campers
- Discrimination and exclusion of others is not only strictly prohibited but is against our values
- Don't bring inappropriate items or games to the Temple during Camp
- Phone usage during classes and activities is prohibited
- Laptops should only be used by campers working on projects and teachers planning lessons/making presentations
- Volunteers should be willing to complete tasks given and those apart from assigned activities
- It is our responsibility to keep our temple safe and neat
- It is your duty to efficiently take care of and educate campers throughout the week
- Always step-up and take action against wrongdoings throughout camp
- Be willing to act and behave in a socially progressive manner towards content and views in general
- No swearing, horseplay, or foul use of language
- Remember it is our responsibility to maintain the reputation of our camp, temple, and community
- Have materials and class agendas ready by specified date
- If you do not follow the rules, your participation as a Camp Volunteer will be suspended and you will not be awarded service hours until there is remediation.

Signature/Date

Parent signature/Date