



SPONSOR AGREEMENT with non-PARENT as SPONSOR

PRINT YOUTH NAME HERE: \_\_\_\_\_ Family Name::

**There are two pages to this form. The second page requires a notary.**

I understand that Summer Institute is not a youth conference. CERSI does not provide adult supervision for youth except during Youth Programming, including mandatory morning programming (M-F 9:45 AM-12:30 PM), daily touch-base group meetings from 5:00-5:45 PM, afternoon youth work-shifts, and optional evening programming. With sponsor permission, official evening and late-night youth programming is the only place that youth are allowed to be after curfew, other than their assigned dorm rooms.

Youth sponsors are responsible for providing adult supervision of the youth at all other times, including breakfast. Each youth's health, well-being, safety and good behavior are the responsibility of their sponsor. I will work out a system of communication with my youth so that I can fulfill my supervision responsibilities.

I understand that if the youth I am sponsoring is housed on the youth focused dorm floor, I will be housed in the same dorm.

I understand that if I am housed on the youth focused dorm floor, the Central East Region will perform a background check on me. I understand that as a sponsor I will be expected to assist in supervising the youth at the "late nighter" and that the background check is also necessary for these duties.

\_\_\_\_\_ (sponsor name), is registered for the 2026 CER Summer Institute at Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH and will sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ (youth name).

We, the undersigned, confirm that:

- All CERSI youth program participants, including those age 18+, must have a sponsor.
- If the sponsor is not the youth's parent or guardian, we must fill out this CERSI Youth Guardianship form and sign in the presence of a notary.
- The sponsor is 25 years old or older.
- The sponsor is given full responsibility for the health and well-being of the sponsored youth, and furthermore will act as the legal guardian of youth under age 18 during CERSI.
- The sponsor is sponsoring no more than a total of five youth at CERSI 2026, regardless of if they are their own children or not.
- We understand that youth and sponsors are required to be housed in the same dorm at CERSI, even if the youth is staying on the youth focused dorm floor.
- We understand that any medication the youth does not have permission to have in their room is to be held by the sponsor.
- We understand that the CERSI Youth Program is not a youth conference, and the sponsor is responsible for the youth's supervision at all times, aside from official youth programming.
- If the youth leaves campus, the sponsor has sole responsibility for supervision. Youth may not drive other youth.
- We understand that the CERSI recommends that any Junior High youth (all those who have completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade, but have yet to complete 9<sup>th</sup> grade) be accompanied by their sponsor if permitted off campus.
- We have read and understand the CERSI Youth Contract and have discussed expected behavior at CERSI and consequences for the youth's actions.
- We understand that if the youth is asked to leave CERSI due to a rule violation that the sponsor will arrange for the youth's safe travel home at the youth/parent(s)' expense.
- The sponsor will attend a required meeting as part of orientation.
- We will work out a system of communication between the youth and their sponsor during CERSI that is mutually satisfying to the youth, sponsor, and parent(s)/guardian(s).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

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Sponsor Signature

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Youth Signature

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## CERSI Youth Guardianship Form

For children **not** your own and in the **CERSI Youth Program**.

If you bring youth to Summer Institute for whom you are not the permanent legal guardian, this form must be signed by the youth's legal guardian, notarized and submitted ahead of CERSI. You may not serve as a temporary guardian for more than two children or teens for whom you are not the legal guardian unless you are part of an approved youth group attending together.

Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

I do hereby authorize (CERSI guardian) \_\_\_\_\_ to give permission for medical or surgical treatment and otherwise act as guardian for my child listed below.

This temporary guardianship is in effect during these dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to serve as guardian at CERSI for the child listed above. By signing I understand that:

- When this youth is not in a CERSI program that provides adult supervision, I am responsible for the youth's supervision, and that I am ultimately responsible for their health, wellbeing, safety, and good behavior throughout CERSI.
- That if this youth fails to follow CERSI or Oberlin College rules, they may have to remain with me during the remainder of CERSI, and that continued failure to follow rules may result in them being asked to leave CERSI.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Name printed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: you must be 25 or older to be a guardian / sponsor**

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR THIS FORM:**

**There are two pages to this form.**

**Print the form, have the sponsor, parent and youth all sign it the first page.**

**Then the parent/legal guardian must take the second page to a notary and have your signature on the second page notarized. Many banks offer their customers notary services for free, check with your bank to see if you can get this service there.**

**Once both pages of the form are completed, send them to CERSI with your youth or their sponsor. The sponsor must carry the form with them during the week in case of an emergency.**

**We will require that the forms be shown to us during the registration process at CERSI.**

**Youth who do not have the necessary sponsor forms will not be permitted to stay at Summer Institute.**