



**CAMP BECKET-IN-THE-BERKSHIRES**

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To the 2025 Camp Becket Aides,

Congratulations, and welcome to the Camp Becket Aides program! We extend our warmest congratulations on your selection to the 74th Camp Becket Aides leadership training program. We are Josh Freud and Will Nusser, and we are deeply honored to serve as your directors for this transformative experience. The Aides program represents a distinguished tradition spanning nearly 75 years, built upon the foundations of service, leadership, and brotherhood. Our primary mission is to serve our campers while fostering a community centered on compassionate service. We firmly believe that your commitment to this program will yield profound personal growth and strengthen your connection to the camp community we all cherish.

I am Will Nusser, a junior at Syracuse University currently pursuing Philosophy and Applied Data Analytics. Going into my 11th summer at Camp Becket, I bring extensive camp experience as a former camper, ICEP Chile 2019 participant, and staff member. My journey has included two summers as a counselor in Ranger Village and, most recently, serving as the Frontier Village Director. The circular nature of life at Becket has allowed me to transition from experiencing the camp's magic as a camper to becoming part of the leadership that cultivates this transformative environment. The Aides program has been a foundational piece for my journey through life, as it has helped me discover my strengths both as a leader and as a friend. I am thrilled to return to the Aides Quarters to guide and serve the 2025 class.

I am Josh Freud, a senior at the University of Michigan, where I am completing a double major in Physics and Computer Science. My Becket journey encompasses 14 summers, including seven years as a camper, participation in ICEP Uruguay, and service as a 2019 Camp Becket Aide. Following my time as an Aide, I dedicated three summers as a Ranger counselor before assuming the role of Ranger Village Director last season. The Aides program played an instrumental role in my personal development, providing me with essential leadership skills and fostering lifelong friendships. The opportunity to serve as an Aides Director represents a meaningful way to give back to this extraordinary community.

The journey ahead will be challenging yet immensely rewarding. You can anticipate long days, early mornings, and memorable nights, that will include service and growth. This summer will offer you a unique perspective on Camp Becket, deepening your understanding of why so many consider

this land between the birches and pines their second home. Together, we will learn to extend the spirit of Becket beyond the Berkshires, carrying its values into our daily lives and future endeavors. Remember that what you invest in this summer will directly influence what you gain from it, strengthening your roots in this cherished community.

To begin our journey together, please complete the following steps:

1. Reply with your contact information (phone number and email address).
2. Record and send us a video update about your high school experience, current interests, and hobbies.
3. Connect with a former Leader in Training (LIT) to seek guidance about their experience
4. Share one pre-camp goal, one summer goal, and your favorite quote.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to either of us with any questions or concerns. We look forward to an extraordinary summer of growth, service, and brotherhood.

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