

APPLICATION

4-H CAMP TEEN LEADER

Camp Date: June 10-13

Return to County Extension Office by March 31, 2025

**** Please include a recent photo ****



NAME _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____ AGE _____ SEX _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ NUMBER OF YEARS IN 4-H _____

THIS YEAR I AM COMPLETING _____ GRADE AT _____ SCHOOL

TOTAL # OF YEARS ATTENDED 4-H CAMP _____ YEARS AS A TEEN LEADER _____

T-SHIRT SIZE (circle one): A. Small A. Medium A. Large A. X Large A. XX Large

HAVE YOU ATTENDED ANY OTHER CAMPS? (LIST) _____

HAVE YOU HAD ANY RESPONSIBILITIES AT ANY OF THE ABOVE CAMPS? _____

EXPLAIN: _____

LIST PREVIOUS AND CURRENT 4-H ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH: _____

LIST PREVIOUS AND CURRENT ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOL, CHURCH AND COMMUNITY: _____

LIST ALL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES YOU HAVE HAD IN 4-H, SCHOOL, CHURCH OR COMMUNITY: _____

ACTIVITIES: Circle the ones in which you would feel comfortable working with campers:

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|-------------|-----------------|----------|
| Basketball | Archery | Campfire |
| Softball | Rifle | Nature |
| Soccer | Outdoor Cookery | Crafts |
| Group Games | Story Telling | Swimming |
| Singing | Reflections | Fishing |

LIST 4-H PROJECTS YOU HAVE COMPLETED: _____

DO YOU HOLD ANY CERTIFICATES (CPR, Lifeguard, etc.)? (List) _____

LIST ALL SPECIAL HOBBIES AND TALENTS YOU HAVE: _____

PLEASE LIST AT LEAST TWO REFERENCES (not related to you). PROVIDE THEIR NAME, A DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER, AN EMAIL ADDRESS (IF AVAILABLE) AND INFORMATION ABOUT HOW THEY KNOW YOU.

***ATTACH A MINIMUM 250 WORD ESSAY ADDRESSING WHY YOU FEEL YOU WOULD MAKE A GOOD TEEN LEADER AT 4-H CAMP.**

*Return to:
Green County Extension Service
298 Happyville Rd.
Greensburg, KY 42743
Phone: (270) 932-5311*

*** * * Deadline: March 31, 2025 * * ***

RETURNING TEEN LEADER APPLICANT

Name _____

What camp experience have you had? _____

Why do you want to be a teen leader? _____

Tell us about a situation where you have been a role model for younger children. _____

Describe a situation from last year's camping week that you could have been a better teen leader.

Throughout a full day at camp, what would you say are the differences between the roles of a camper and the roles of a teen leader? _____

Why do you think you should be chosen to be a teen leader over others who have applied? _____

What experience do you have working with youth? _____

What do you think being a good role model means? _____

Describe what you believe your 3 major responsibilities as a summer camp teen leader would be? _____

Describe a situation where you have been a leader? _____

How do you plan on giving the campers the best experience possible at camp? _____

What's your favorite camp song? _____

What would you do if your adult leader or other teen leader were not participating? _____

What are the major differences between the roles of an adult leader and a teen leader? _____

NEW TEEN LEADER APPLICANT

Name _____

What camp experience have you had? _____

Why do you want to be a teen leader? _____

What do you think it means to be a good role model? _____

Throughout a full day at camp, what would you say are the differences between the roles of a camper and the roles of a teen leader? _____

Why do you think you should be chosen to be a teen leader over others who have applied? _____

What experience do you have working with youth? _____

Describe what you believe your 3 major responsibilities as a summer camp teen leader would be? _____

What do you recall seeing a teen leader do well in the past at camp? What about something they did not do well? _____

Describe a situation where you have been a leader? _____

What do you look forward to most about being a teen leader? _____

What's your favorite camp song? _____

What would you do if your adult leader or other teen leader were not participating? _____

How do you plan on giving each camper an excellent experience? _____

What are the major differences between the roles of an adult leader and a teen leader? _____

TEEN LEADER RESPONSIBILITIES:



I will be expected to:

1. Attend a camp training session for adults and teen leaders.
2. Set a good example by not using profanity or telling off-colored jokes/stories.
3. Not have in my possession or use tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs or fireworks while I am participating in the counselor trainings and 4-H Camp.
4. Be a responsible cabin counselor by:
 - a. Help those assigned to my cabin find the cabin & get settled.
 - b. Get to know the campers in my cabin personally and by name.
 - c. Make sure that all campers are aware of the camp rules and their surroundings.
 - d. Make sure each camper uses personal hygiene.
 - e. Go over camp program with cabin at least once a day.
5. Be with my campers at all times, including in the cabin, at afternoon/evening programs and in group activities.
6. Never punish a camper by ridicule or physical punishment
7. Urge safety at all times (encourage campers to walk, not run).
8. Go with hurt or sick camper to the EMT as needed.
9. Be quiet when appropriate and help keep campers quiet.
10. See that all campers are involved in activities; make sure no one is excluded.
11. Be on time to meals, classes and activities.
12. Supervise and help out with dining hall duties and camp chores.
13. Be flexible – plans do change and rain does come.
14. Feel free to discuss any problems with any of the adult leaders or staff.
15. Teen leaders are allowed to bring cell phones to camp, however they should never be used during a class or activity or in the presence of any campers.

By signing below I acknowledge that I have read and agree to abide by the counselor responsibilities listed above, if selected as a camp counselor. I understand and agree that I will be asked to call my parent/guardian immediately to pick me up at camp if I do not conduct myself in an appropriate manner, which includes disobeying the guidelines stated on this counselor responsibility sheet, being out of my cabin after hours, and the possession or use of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs and/or fireworks.

Signature of Teen Leader Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

4-H TEEN LEADER

Kentucky 4-H/Youth Development Program
The University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service
The University of Kentucky

POSITION TITLE:

4-H Camp Teen Leader

TIME REQUIRED:

Training prior to camp
4 Days/3 nights

LOCATION:

4-H Camp Ground located at:Lake Cumberland 4-H Camp, Jabez, KY
Camp Dates: June 10-13, 2025
Trainings at Green County Extension Office

GENERAL PURPOSE:

- Supervision of 12-16 youth, ages 9-14, in a camping setting
- Support 4-H professionals, volunteers and members in conducting meaningful educational experiences to help youth develop social skills

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Be committed to the development of young people
- Provide leadership and direction while working closely with adult counselors and agents
- Involve campers in all scheduled activities while at camp
- Make sure campers are on time for programs
- Under the direction of the adult counselor in your cabin, supervise group living environment (i.e. housekeeping, personal hygiene, social skills, responsibility, sharing, following rules, discipline campers)
- See that campers carry out responsibilities such as cabin cleanup, grounds cleanup, dining hall cleanup, etc.
- Participation in camp activities
- Encourage all campers to participate in camp activities
- Counsel homesick campers
- Follow all guidelines and policies of the University of Kentucky and 4-H programs
- Be responsible for the health, safety and happiness of each camper in their cabin
- Actively participate in implementing the camp's programs
- Assist in keeping camp ground clean
- Assist campers in making choices in activities
- Encourage campers to try new activities
- Stay with cabin at all times, unless permission is granted by camp director
- Assist adult counselors, permanent staff and agents, upon request, with special activities such as quiet time, flag raising/lowering, etc.
- Assist with bus loading and unloading
- Assist class instructors where needed in teaching or in managing campers' behavior
- Project a positive and enthusiastic attitude about camp which campers may model
- Report any problems to your adult counselor or Dean of Men/Women

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be 16 years or older at time of camp (Counselors in training may be 14-15 years old)
- A sincere interest in youth development
- Ability to work and communicate effectively
- Willingness to follow rules
- Ability to get along with others
- Positive attitude

BENEFITS:

- Developing positive relationships with campers, adult counselors and CES staff
- Seeing youth develop and gain skills
- Appropriate training, teamwork and support
- Opportunity to share in an exciting week of activities with youth
- Chance to share ideas with other adult and teen leaders

SALARY:

Unsalaries; volunteer. This position does not imply employment with the University of Kentucky
Fee for Teen Leader is \$100. Teen Leaders in training will be required to pay the full camp fee of \$200.00
Transportation provided.

MENTOR/SUPERVISING PROFESSIONAL:

County Extension Agent for 4-H/Youth Development

Name: Sue Ann McCandless
 Address: 298 Happyville Rd.
 City, State, Zip: Greensburg, KY 42743
 Phone: 270.932.5311
 E-mail: sue.ann.mccandless@uky.edu

"I have read, understand and agree to fulfill the purpose and responsibilities of this volunteer position and further agree to accept guidance and direction from the supervisor. I am committing to involve individuals regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin in educational experiences in cooperation with other Extension volunteers and Extension personnel. I also understand that failure to fulfill the purpose and responsibilities of the volunteer position and to accept guidance and direction from the supervisor could result in suspension of my position. I also understand that this volunteer position is renewable annually; I will notify the supervising professional if I am no longer interested in serving."

Signature of Volunteer Date

Signature of Extension Professional Date