



# Racine County 4-H Camp Staff Application 2020



## **CAMP PROGRAM**

As youth grow through Racine County 4-H camp experiences, they will participate in a range of enjoyable outdoor adventures designed to build relationships, promote healthy living, develop knowledge, and cultivate servant leadership. Our camps are about youth leadership in action. Youth are trained and given opportunities to experience leadership with different levels of challenges and responsibilities. We invite and encourage you to apply for a camp leadership position!

- Grades K-2 – **Day Camp**, Old Settlers Park, Union Grove (July 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Grades 3-5 – **Base Camp** (overnight), Holiday Home Camp, Williams Bay (June 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> with camp staff arriving at 12:30p.m. on June 18<sup>th</sup>)
- Grades 6-8 – **Adventure Camp** (overnight), Devil's Lake State Park, Baraboo (June 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>)
- Grades 4-13 – **Horse Camp** (overnight), Racine County Fairgrounds, Union Grove (May 29-31)

Camp staff positions are available to Racine County 4-H youth who are in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and above (during the 2019-2020 school year) and adults who are approved volunteers. A limited number of positions are available and selections are based on this application, an interview, and the needs of each camp. A position is not guaranteed. Decisions are made by a committee and these decisions are final. Adults do not pay to chaperone camp. Youth staff will pay a reduced rate.

## **CAMP STAFF POSITIONS**

### **COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (Day, Base, Horse)**

Youth who fill this role are age 12 and 13 at the time of camp. These youth provide an important support network for the Camp Counselors. They will be teamed with a Camp Counselor or Activity Coordinator, who is at least two years older, to lead a camper group or activity while ensuring for the campers' safety and that the campers are engaged.

### **COUNSELOR (Day, Base, Horse)**

Youth who fill this role are age 14 and up at the time of camp. They have the responsibility of guiding the campers and ensuring for their safety. Camp Counselors will lead camper groups, lead activities, and provide direct instruction. Counselors also serve as mentors to Counselors-In-Training.

### **YOUTH DIRECTOR (Day, Base, Adventure)**

Youth who fill this role are typically older teens who have previous camp experience and are willing to take on leading the planning and coordination of a camp experience. This person will work closely with Extension Racine County staff to lead and support other youth leaders in facilitating a positive camp experience.

### **YOUTH OR ADULT ACTIVITY COORDINATOR (Day, Base)**

An Activity Coordinator is a youth or adult who serves as an instructor or facilitator within a specific area of focus such as crafts, games, science, nature, fishing, music, etc. If an adult, this person would not be required to remain at camp for the full duration of the program.

### **ADULT CHAPERONE (Day, Base, Adventure, Horse)**

An adult chaperone is an approved 4-H volunteer who remains at the event (overnight, if applicable) to support the youth leaders in facilitating a positive experience. Adult chaperones will work alongside youth counselors in a youth-adult partnership to create a welcoming, educational, safe, and enjoyable experience. Overnight chaperones must be at least 21 years old.

### **ADULT NURSE (Day, Base, Adventure, Horse)**

The camp nurse needs a solid knowledge base and experience in caring for the population of the camp. A camp nurse has the opportunity to work outdoors with enthusiastic campers and energetic young staff members. The camp nurse provides care for minor illnesses and injuries and secures higher-level care when required. The nurse may administer medications and provide treatments such as dressing changes. The minimum requirement for this position is a current American Red Cross (or equivalent) certification for First Aid and Adult & Child CPR.

An EEO/AA employer, University of Wisconsin-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming, including Title VI, Title IX, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements.

La Universidad de Wisconsin-Extensión, un empleador con igualdad de oportunidades y acción afirmativa (EEO/AA), proporciona igualdad de oportunidades en empleo y programas, incluyendo los requisitos del Título VI, Título IX, y de la Ley Federal para Personas con Discapacidades en los Estados Unidos (ADA).





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**DUE BY 4:30 P.M. ON THURSDAY, MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Grade (2019-2020): \_\_\_\_\_

Review the dates of camp and then fill in your age that you will be at the start of that camp, for the camp(s) you are applying for (Youth Only):

Age at Day Camp: \_\_\_\_\_ Age at Base Camp: \_\_\_\_\_ Age at Adventure Camp: \_\_\_\_\_

Age at Horse Camp: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Which camp opportunities are you interested in supporting? *Check all that apply.* If you are not interested in a particular camp, **do not** check it. It is possible to be selected for more than one camp staff position. Youth and adult positions are available for all camps.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Day Camp (July 15, 2020. Staff must commit from 7:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Base Camp (June 19-21, 2020. Staff must commit from June 18 at 12:30p.m. to June 21 at 10:30 a.m.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Adventure Camp (June 28-30. Staff must commit from June 28 at 12:00 p.m. to June 30 4:00 p.m.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Horse Camp (May 29-31)

2. Which role(s) are you interested in? In the left column, rank preferences with 1 being the highest. If you are not interested in a position, **do not** place a number next to it. Then, in the right columns, check the camp that you are interested in for that role. If you are not interested in that camp, **do not** place a check next to it.

_____ Counselor-In-Training	Day _____	Base _____	Horse _____
_____ Counselor	Day _____	Base _____	Horse _____
_____ Activity Coordinator	Day _____	Base _____	
_____ Youth Director	Day _____	Base _____	Adventure _____
_____ Adult Chaperone	Day _____	Base _____	Adventure _____ Horse _____
_____ Bus Chaperone	Base (June 19 <sup>th</sup> ) _____		Base (June 21 <sup>st</sup> ) _____
_____ Nurse	Day _____	Base _____	Adventure _____ Horse _____

If you checked Activity Coordinator, what activity would you like to lead? (crafts, games, science, nature, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Previous Camp Experience

- I have been a Counselor-In-Training YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s) and what camp? \_\_\_\_\_
- I have been a Counselor YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s) and what camp? \_\_\_\_\_
- I have been an Activity Coordinator YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s) and activity? \_\_\_\_\_
- I have been a Youth Director YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s) and what camp? \_\_\_\_\_
- I have been an Adult Chaperone YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s) and what camp? \_\_\_\_\_
- I have been a Nurse YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ What year(s) and what camp? \_\_\_\_\_

4. What is one thing that campers expect of camp staff when they attend camp and how will you carry out that expectation? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. What is an example of what an engaged camp staff member looks like? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. Training for camp staff is an important component of the camp staff experience. What topic are you interested in learning about to be a more successful camp staff member? \_\_\_\_\_  
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7. What does "camp is for the camper" mean to you? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

8. (Youth Director Applicants Only) Being a Youth Director requires a significant amount of maturity, responsibility, and a positive attitude. How will you display all of these qualities throughout the entire camp planning, training, and execution process? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

9. I am 1<sup>st</sup> aid certified.  Yes  No If yes, when does it expire? \_\_\_\_\_  
I am CPR (Adult & Child) certified.  Yes  No If yes, when does it expire? \_\_\_\_\_

**Interview Experience**

All youth applicants will be required to participate in an interview experience on the evening of Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at the Ives Grove County Office Building. Youth will be contacted at the e-mail address listed above to set up the interview.

**Planning Meetings: These are optional, but highly encouraged. They are required for the Youth Directors.**

- o Day Camp planning meeting: 15<sup>th</sup> (6:00-7:00 p.m., Ives Grove County Office Building)
- o Base Camp planning meeting: April 15<sup>th</sup> (7:00-8:00p.m., Ives Grove County Office Building)
- o Adventure Camp planning meeting: TBD
- o Horse Camp planning meeting: TBD

**Staff Training: If selected for a camp staff position, I will attend the required camp staff training on: (check one)**

- Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 4:40-8:30 p.m. (Ives Grove County Office Building) Light dinner will be served
- Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Ives Grove County Office Building) Light snacks will be served

**Deadline: 4:30p.m. on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

This form may be dropped off in person at the Extension Racine County Office (1072 Milwaukee Avenue, Burlington) on weekdays between 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 12:30-4:30 p.m. by the stated date and time, placed in the drop box in front of the office by the stated date and time, postmarked via USPS mail by the stated date, or e-mailed ([theresa.odell@racinecounty.com](mailto:theresa.odell@racinecounty.com)) or faxed (262-767-8775) timestamped by the stated date and time. Late forms are not able to be accepted.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if applicant is under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_