


CAMP TEEN COUNSELOR

VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

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

POSITION TITLE:

4-H Camp Teen Counselor

TIME REQUIRED:

At least three (3) nights of camping education (each educational workshop will last approximately 1½ hours)
Five (5) days/evenings [Monday- Friday, 24 hours a day] during the summer months
North Central 4-H Camp is in session from May 28 to August 10, 2001

LOCATION:

North Central 4-H Camp located near Carlisle in Nicholas County
Camp educational workshops will be held at the Grant County Cooperative Extension Service Office

GENERAL PURPOSE:

- + Supervision of 12-16 youth, ages 9-13, 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/tribe 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 15 years or older at time of camp (Counselors in training must be 14 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.

All camp fees paid by the 4-H program

Transportation provided

MENTOR/SUPERVISING PROFESSIONAL

County Extension Agent for 4-H/Youth Development

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Signature: _____

Date: _____