



ENVIRONMENTAL CAMP COUNSELOR

VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION:

Kentucky 4-H Youth Development Program Kentucky Cooperative Extension The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture

POSITION TITLE:

Environmental Camp Counselor

TIME REQUIRED / DURATION OF APPOINTMENT

- 1-2 days; overnight, approximately 24 hours
- Spring session: April or May; Fall session, September, October or November
- 2 hours of education and orientation

LOCATION:

Extension office, camping facility or other meeting facility.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

To supervise up to 8 youth, ages 10 or 11, in a camp setting. Support 4-H professionals, classroom teachers and volunteers in conducting meaningful environmental educational experiences to help youth develop social skills.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Be committed to young people and their development
- Involve campers in all scheduled activities while at camp, and assure campers are on time for programs
- Supervise group living environment (i.e. housekeeping, personal hygiene, social skills, responsibility, sharing, following rules)
- Participation in camping activities, and encourage all campers to join
- Counsel homesick campers
- Follow all guidelines and policies of the University of Kentucky 4-H program
- Encourage campers to try new activities

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QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must complete the Kentucky 4-H volunteer application and screening process and be accepted by the Client & Youth Protection / Risk Management Committee.
- Must provide own transportation to meetings and activities.
- Self-starter; be able to work with minimal supervision from professional staff.
- Effective communication skills.
- A sincere interest in working with extension staff, volunteers, parents, and youth.
- Organizational skills; ability to organize information and materials in a timely manner.
- Must be 21 years old or older
- Complete Health form
- A willingness to become familiar with and work with the philosophy and guidelines of the University of Kentucky CES, Kentucky 4-H program and county 4-H program

BENEFITS:

- The opportunity to work with youth and/or adults providing support and growth experiences
- Receive intrinsic rewards at volunteer recognition events
- Volunteer development opportunity
- Opportunity to share your skills, talents and interests
- Orientation provided by Extension staff
- Research shows that volunteering promotes improved health
- The opportunity to make a difference in the life of the child.

SALARY:

Unsalaried; volunteer.

MENTOR/SUPERVISING PROFESSIONAL:

Name: Title: Address: City, State, Zip: Phone: Fax: Email:

Signature of Volunteer

Date

Signature of Extension Profession

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