

# Camp Counselor Application

**Applications are due in the Walworth County Extension office by 4:30 p.m. on January 27, 2020.**

(They may also be turned in at the Junior/Senior Leaders' Association meetings on 1/27/20 at 7 p.m.). Email to [deborah.harris@wisc.edu](mailto:deborah.harris@wisc.edu), or mail/hand deliver to Walworth County Extension Office, 100 W Walworth Street, POB 1001, Elkhorn, WI 53121. Postmark deadline is January 22 to ensure arrival by the deadline.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Home #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

What 4-H Club are you a member of? \_\_\_\_\_

How many years of 4-H camping experience do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you interested in serving as 4-H Camp Junior Director this year?** If yes, please attach a letter of interest. Describe the skills that you will bring to the job and how you believe you will benefit from the challenge of taking it on. Junior Director candidates must be in grades 11-13, have served as a 2019 camp counselor, and have the ability to attend all the scheduled counselor trainings AND camp planning sessions with the Extension staff between March and June. Submit your letter of interest, THIS completed application, and one reference as described later in this document.

What **skills and/or personality traits** do you have that you believe parents of campers would appreciate you bringing to our 4-H camp counselor team? List and explain.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any **special skills or certifications** that would enhance your role as a counselor (ex. lifeguard)?

What **leadership and followership** experiences have you had that will assist you in being a successful camp counselor? Explain. (These may be 4-H or non-4-H experiences.)

In your opinion, what makes you a **strong counselor candidate**? Why should we pick you for a position?

How do **you** hope to change or grow as a result of being a camp counselor this year? What skills do you want to work on? What's in this for you?

Which type of **counselor position** are you interested in? *(Place a checkmark next to the response that best fits you below. If selecting "either," please rank your first and second choices among cabin and resource counselor.)*

Cabin Counselor		RANK	Resource Counselor		RANK	Will accept EITHER resource or cabin position	
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Announce your interest in the role of Junior Director by completing and submitting a letter of interest in that role with this application. **Mark the secondary role that you are interested in above.**

If selected as a **cabin counselor** in 2020, what age groups would you most enjoy working with? Rank your first, second, and third choices.

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ 3    \_\_\_\_\_ 4    \_\_\_\_\_ 5    \_\_\_\_\_ 6    \_\_\_\_\_ 7    \_\_\_\_\_ 8    \_\_\_\_\_ No preference

Which of the following do you have **interests or talents** in *(place a checkmark next to all that apply)?*:

Arts & Crafts	_____	Leading Large Group Games	_____
Nature, Hiking, and Wildlife	_____	Singing or playing a musical instrument	_____
Hands-on Science	_____	Water Activities	_____
Games & Recreation	_____	Acting/Drama	_____
Camp Circle Dance Actions	_____	Other (please specify):	_____

Please consider the following idea for the 2020 **camp theme**:

Theme:

Why do you like this theme for camp?

Give specific examples of ways that you would apply this/these ideas during camp week?

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

I am available to **interview** for the position of camp counselor on Wednesday, February 5, at the following times (*place a checkmark next to all times that will fit your schedule*):

4:00	4:15	4:30	4:45	5:00	5:15	5:30
p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____
5:45	6:00	6:15	6:30	6:45	7:00	7:15
p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____
7:30	7:45	8:00	8:15	8:30	8:45	9:00
p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____	p.m. _____

**Submit one reference form** with your application. (School personnel, youth group leaders, 4-H club and community leaders, and other 4-H volunteers may be used. Relatives, peers, and Extension Staff will not be accepted.) Please see directions on reference form. List your reference here. Reference forms will be accepted in the Extension Office until 9 a.m. on February 5. Your reference form may be submitted through you in an envelope with the reference providers' signature across the seal. Your reference may also mail the completed form directly to the Extension Office, fax it to 262-741-4955, or scan and email it to [deborah.harris@wisc.edu](mailto:deborah.harris@wisc.edu). List your reference below.

<b>Reference Name</b>	<b>Reference Phone</b>	<b>Reference's Relationship to You</b>
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### Statement of Application

I understand that completing this form does NOT guarantee that I will be selected as a 4-H Camp counselor in 2020. I realize the camp counselor selection process is competitive, a limited number of positions exist, and only those candidates with the best qualifications will be chosen. I understand that in order to qualify for a position, I must be a high school freshman or older and at least 15 years old by the first day of camp. Further, I am aware that 4-H Camp Counselor positions are volunteer roles and are bound to the *4-H Code of Conduct* that I agreed to at the time of 4-H enrollment. Consequently, failure to meet those expectations will result in disciplinary action which may include my removal from the counselor team. With all of this in mind, I hereby submit my application for consideration.

### Signatures

\_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor Candidate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**By Monday, January 27, 2020 (email/hand-delivery deadline).**

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**Supporting reference may follow by 9 a.m. on February 5.**